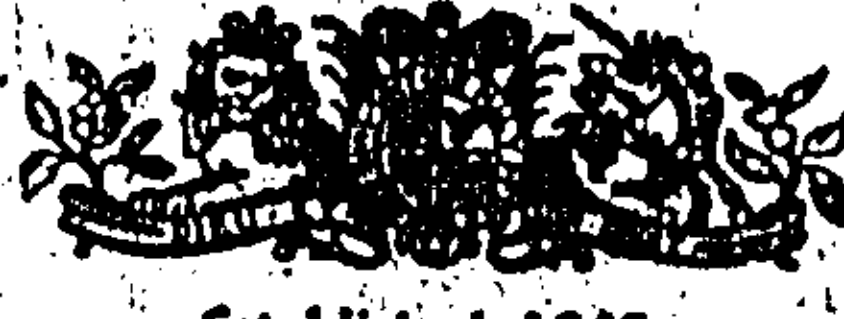


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Syrians Invade Demilitarised Territory

Remarkable New Radar Gun Sight

RAF OFFICER ASTOUNDS AMERICAN EXPERTS

New York, May 2.

Group Captain John Roberts, of the Royal Air Force, astounded American experts with the score he achieved in a test of a new radar gun sight for use in jet planes, it was disclosed tonight.

The gun sight is helping US pilots in Korea to score their air victories, the US Defence Department said. Korea is providing it with its first war test.

A spokesman for the Sperry Gyroscope Company, the gun sight manufacturers, said: "It does for aerial gunnery what

the radar bombsight did for bombing."

The device not only aims guns, but also rockets and bombs, from jets flying 600 mph or more.

It functions in high or low altitudes, in daylight or darkness.

Even Sperry officials were astounded by the score achieved by Captain Roberts at Nellis Air Force base, Las Vegas, Nevada.

They said Roberts scored 175 hits out of 180 shots at a 20-foot target being towed at a high altitude by another jet.

Under the US Air Force scoring system, Roberts' performance rated at 112.7 per cent.

Previously 40 to 60 per cent was considered pretty good.

Roberts is at Las Vegas under the Mutual Aid-Defence programme.

The device is standard equipment on Republic F-84-E Thunderjets and will be available to Britain when she receives planes of this type under the programme.—Associated Press.

Today's Festival Opening

London, May 2.

King George, accompanied by the Queen, will drive in State tomorrow to St Paul's Cathedral and from the steps of the Cathedral will open and dedicate the £11,500,000 Festival of Britain.

There are two reasons for the Festival—sponsored by the Labour Government against a wave of criticism.

One is that this year is the centenary of the great exhibition of 1851. Second is to show that Britain is still bold in enterprise and has faith in her future.

Centre piece of the Festival is an exhibition of culture, art and industry in special buildings constructed on the south bank of the River Thames.

Ten thousand towns and villages throughout Britain are organising festivals of their own, spread at intervals over the next six months.—Reuter.

SHARP FIGHTING WITH ISRAELIS

Tel-Aviv, May 2.

Israeli and Syrian forces were reported fighting on Wednesday night in Israeli territory north of Lake Tiberias.

An official Israeli communique said the fighting started after Syrian soldiers entered the demilitarised zone north of Lake Tiberias and continued three-fifths of a mile westward into Israeli territory.

The communique said United Nations officers sped to the scene in an attempt to stop the fray but were not able to get close to either side because of heavy firing.

A second communique tonight said a small Israeli patrol fought the Syrians in a delaying action but reinforcements had been pushed into the fray by night. There was no report of casualties on either side, but United Nations officials who tried to reach the scene were forced to withdraw because of heavy firing.

The acting Premier, Dr Moshe Sharett, was expected to call the Cabinet into an emergency session to discuss the situation.

Colonel Moshe Perlman, Israeli military spokesman, said: "We view the Syrian action as the most serious on record and are awaiting drastic action by the Security Council."

Four Israelis were killed and several wounded in a one-hour encounter with Arab civilians northwest of Lake Tiberias, a Syrian military spokesman announced tonight.

The spokesman said the fight started when about 100 Israeli armed soldiers opened fire and tried to steal cattle belonging to the Arabs. Arab civilians grabbed guns and forced back the Israelis, who left four dead and several wounded behind them.

He added that the Arabs captured Israeli arms and lost no cattle.—United Press.

Truck Overtakes: 20 Killed

Teheran, May 2.

Twenty persons were killed and 30 injured on Tuesday when a truck bringing them to a May Day meeting in Teheran went off the road and overturned.—United Press.

Evatt Retains His Seat

Sydney, May 2.

Dr Herbert E. Evatt, deputy leader of the Opposition, has virtually been re-elected to the House of Representatives.

His opponent in Barton electorate, Mrs. Nancy Wake, has practically no chance now of overtaking his slender lead.

The position in the Senate continued to improve for the government, which appears assured of a majority of two, and possibly four, in the chamber.—Associated Press.

Final Offer By Big 3

NEW PROPOSALS TO GROMYKO

Paris, May 2.

The Western Powers tonight made what was believed to be their final offer to Russia to bring about a Big Four conference aimed at ending international tension.

After nearly nine weeks' wrangling by the deputies of the four Foreign Ministers, Dr Philip Jessup (United States) presented Mr Andrei Gromyko (Russia) with new proposals for a conference agenda.

Mr Gromyko was asked to choose between three alternatives, all of which the Western representatives insisted were a "genuine attempt to meet Soviet views as far as possible."

The first Western agenda, which is the one the three Western delegates prefer, is a detailed description of the subjects to be discussed as tabled last Friday, but makes two important new concessions to the Russians.

(1) It places the subject of the demilitarisation of Germany before the question of armaments as a cause of international tension.

(2) It accepts the complete Soviet wording on Trieste, that is to say, it agrees to mention "the fulfilment" of the peace treaty with Italy in the part concerning Trieste.

SPLIT AGENDA

At the same time, however, it counters the Soviet insistence on the use of the word "fulfilment" in the Trieste item by likewise speaking of the "fulfilment" of the peace treaties with the Balkan countries, Italy and four-Power agreements on Germany and Austria.

In case the Soviet Government still refuses to accept the Western agenda as amended and submitted today by Dr Jessup, the Western deputies proposed the acceptance of a so-called split agenda.

The split agenda leaves it to the Foreign Ministers themselves to decide:

(1) Whether discussion of the level of armaments as a major cause of tension should precede discussion of the reduction of armaments.

(2) Whether the question of the demilitarisation of Germany should be discussed before the problem of the level and the reduction of armaments.

The split agenda lists in parallel columns the differing Western and Soviet wordings on the subjects of armaments and German demilitarisation.

In the Western version of the split agenda, German demilitarisation comes second to the question of the reduction of armaments.

SKELETON AGENDA

The Western deputies provided, thirdly, for the possibility that Mr Gromyko would also reject the second choice offered him, and submitted as an ultimate possibility a so-called skeleton agenda.

This consists of five general subject headings and contains only 41 words.

It avoids the whole quarrel over the exact wording of a more detailed agenda, but no doubt leaves the door open for a similar wrangle about wording to arise when and if the four Foreign Ministers meet, observers thought.—Reuter.

Shinwell Walks Out Of Commons To Shouts Of "Resign"

Angry Exchanges Over Rubber

London, May 2.

The Defence Minister, Mr Emanuel Shinwell, walked out of the House of Commons' Chamber today with a Conservative Opposition chant of "Resign, resign" ringing in his ears.

He had had sharp exchanges with the Conservative leader, Mr Winston Churchill, and other Opposition Members on the supply of goods to China.

The Opposition listened attentively to Mr Shinwell's account of the heavy casualties—1,074—suffered by the British troops in Korea during the latest Chinese Communist offensive and the gallantry of the Gloucestershire Battalion, surrounded and cut off from the main forces.

But Mr Raymond Blackburn, an Independent Member, then raised a hubbub by asking if Mr Shinwell knew that Britain was sending supplies of steel and other materials to China.

Mr Shinwell replied that Britain had put an embargo on supplies of strategic raw materials to China.

At this Mr Blackburn quoted a statement by Sir Hartley Shawcross, the President of the Board of Trade, on Monday that since January Britain had supplied steel, railway locomotives and other goods to China.

Other Members pressed Mr Shinwell to make a statement about what the Government considered to be "strategic materials."

IN ANGRY MOOD

Embarrassed by these questions, on which he was not fully informed, Mr Shinwell said that such inquiries should be put to the Ministers concerned.

The Opposition's mood was now angry. It had been stung by Mr Shinwell's remark that rubber exports to China were made by private exporters.

Mr Anthony Eden, the deputy Conservative leader, said that this matter was entirely in the Government's hands. Mr Shinwell should not pretend that it was anybody else's responsibility except the Government's.

Mr Shinwell said: "We have taken a decision to prevent, as far as practicable, the export of strategic materials to China."

The storm apparently caught Mr Shinwell by surprise. He ducked and bowed with some of the sharp questions hurled at him from the Conservative benches.

Then Mr Churchill, glaring across the chamber at the Defence Minister, asked him: "Don't you know anything about it at all?"

Mr Shinwell snapped back: "I know more about it than you do."

Conservative members raised loud shouts of "Resign," the hubbub continuing even after the Speaker called the next order of business.

Later, when Mr Shinwell rose to leave the chamber, there were further shouts of "Resign."

The Labourite minister turned, pointing a finger at Mr Churchill. Mr Shinwell waved his hand deprecatingly at the Conservative front bench.

The rubber shipment figures were given by Mr T. F. Cook, Undersecretary of the Colonial Office, in a written reply to a question.

They showed British Malaya sent Communist China 120,000 tons of rubber in the nine months ending in March. During the same period, Malaya and Singapore sold another 40,400 tons to Russia. During all of 1949, Malaya sent only 27,500 tons to China.

HEAVY CASUALTIES

In his statement Mr Shinwell said that British casualties in the latest attack were 1,074. They included 48 killed, 223 wounded and 803 missing.

He said it was hoped that a high proportion of the missing would eventually make their way back to friendly territory.

Mr Shinwell said that the resolute defence put up by the 27th British Commonwealth Brigade since the Chinese offensive saved the situation in the central sector.

This action, in which Canadian and Australian battalions were prominent, enabled the remaining units in that area to make an orderly withdrawal.

The British 29th Brigade faced the "full flood" of the Chinese advance south of the Imjin River.



MR SHINWELL

Korean War News

Reds Break Four-Day Lull

Tokyo, May 3.

The Communists broke the four-day lull on the Korean battlefield with a battalion-sized thrust at the UN lines less than 30 miles from Korea's east coast. The attack by three enemy companies east of Inje exerted "heavy pressure" on the Allied forces, according to an Eighth Army communique this morning.

But it was too early to tell whether the Reds were feeling or had shifted the anticipated second round of their spring offensive to the east. Battle of the UN line.

Elsewhere on the V-shaped 90-mile battlefield, UN tank-infantry patrols stabbed miles north of the "Midway Line" without finding the enemy in force. East and southeast of Inje another enemy battalion threw back a probing attack by Allied troops.

The Eighth Army claimed only 395 Communist casualties on Wednesday as the war stood still across almost the entire Korean battlefield. It was the lowest number of casualties inflicted since April 2, and the second lowest of the year. The Reds lost an officially estimated 70,000 killed or wounded during the first week of their spring offensive.

The Eighth Army reported that 70 rounds of 122-mm. Communist artillery rounds fell in and near the Seoul perimeter on the northwest, between 8.10 a.m. and 8.20 p.m. yesterday.—United Press.

Man Drops Dead In Court

Sydney, May 2.

John Romales, father of a Greek girl claimant in a breach of promise case in the Sydney Supreme Court, dropped dead Wednesday while the hearing was in progress.

Romales, aged about 60, was a fish case proprietor.

The case in which his daughter, Sylvia Romales, is suing for heavy damages against another Greek, Marr Salakam, was immediately adjourned.—Associated Press.

THE SHAH SIGNS

Teheran, May 2.

The Shah of Persia tonight signed decrees nationalising Persian oil. Earlier the British Ambassador, Sir Francis Shephard, told the Shah after having visited the Prime Minister, Dr Mohammed Mossadeq.—Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Hongkong At The BIF

HONGKONG has every reason to feel satisfied with the reports that are coming from London describing the success of the Colony at the British Industries Fair, more especially as they emphasise realisation of the primary object of possessing a stand at the exhibition—interesting world-wide buyers in our finished products. Hongkong's association with the BIF over the past four years has increasingly fulfilled expectations and has done more than anything else to draw the attention of British, Continental and Commonwealth buyers to the growing range of well finished articles which our light industries and enterprises are capable of putting on the market. It was the wide variety of articles on display at the Hongkong stand which captured the attention of His Majesty the King when he visited the Fair on Tuesday, and, as our London correspondent has pointed out, the value and distinction of our exhibits are that they are practical and therefore appeal greatly to purchasing agents. It is to let the world know that Hongkong possesses industries and factories that can turn out useful as well as ornamental commodities at competitive prices and of appreciable quality that the Colony is represented at the BIF. This is an important mission to accomplish, and one in which Mr U Tat-chee and his co-delegates, profiting from past experience, are clearly going to be singularly successful. But this year they have another mission of great moment—to try and find new supply sources of raw materials. The United States embargo renders this imperative. Our delegates have shown that if determination counts for anything, they will meet with a good measure of success in their quest. And this second

mission points up the great value of the Colony's manufactured commodities being given a worthy display at the BIF. Through their exhibition those able to supply raw materials in Britain and on the continent can judge for themselves how genuine are the Colony's needs and how worth while it will be to give Hongkong every possible assistance in providing for her requirements. Our display at Earl's Court, this year more than any other time, demonstrates that Hongkong can produce useful commodities which are needed in other parts of the world. And it proves conclusively to any Doubting Thomases that our industries have become an integral part of the Colony's economic prosperity. These are important facts to be made known overseas. Mr U Tat-chee sagely made the point in his speech to the China Association. The world is frequently misinformed about the Far East in general and Hongkong in particular, and his remark that "it needs the guidance of the constant clear voice of sanity and truth" will be wholeheartedly echoed in this Colony. Through no fault of its own, and to some extent because of misinformed and ill-informed opinion in the United States, Hongkong has been cut off from substantial supplies of essential raw materials. We share, however, the confidence of the Colony's BIF delegation that these can be made good from other sources, and we believe the personal approach which is being made by our industrial representatives now in England, will bear happy results. Mr U Tat-chee will do well to repeat his challenge made this week to the China Association: "I know you will step forward with us to give proof that commerce cannot, and will not retreat."

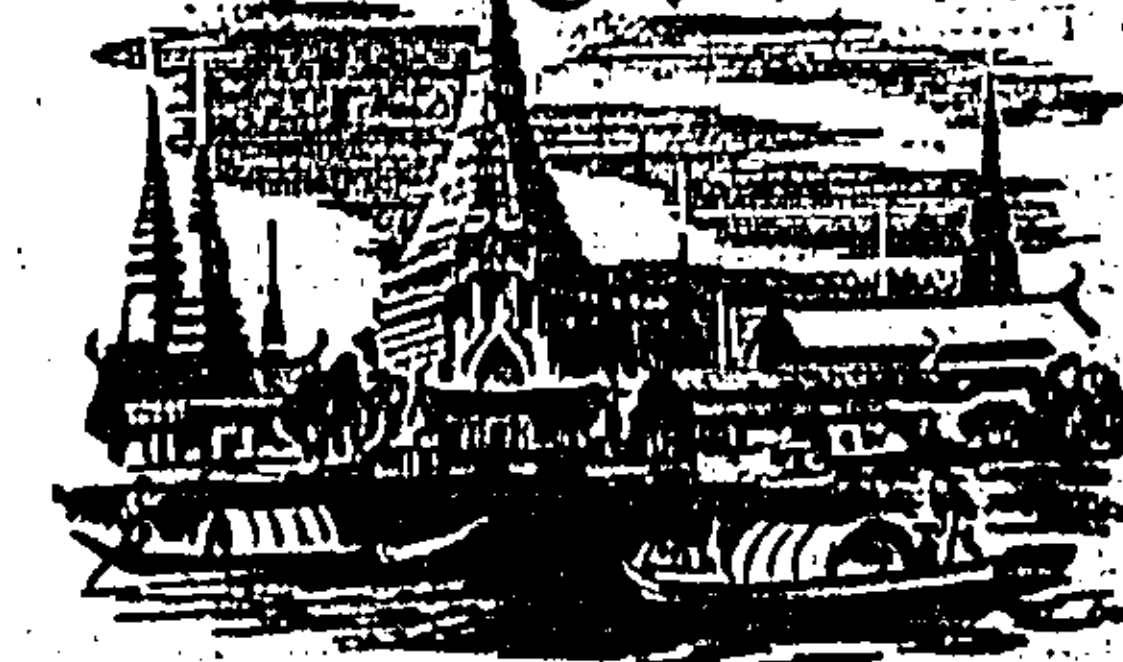
New Steering Device

Schenectady, New York, May 2.

An "electric helmsman" capable of steering a ship by remote control from practically any spot on board has been developed by General Electric engineers, it was announced today.

Engineers said the instrument could be extremely practical in combat operations if the normal steering apparatus were disabled by enemy fire.—United Press.

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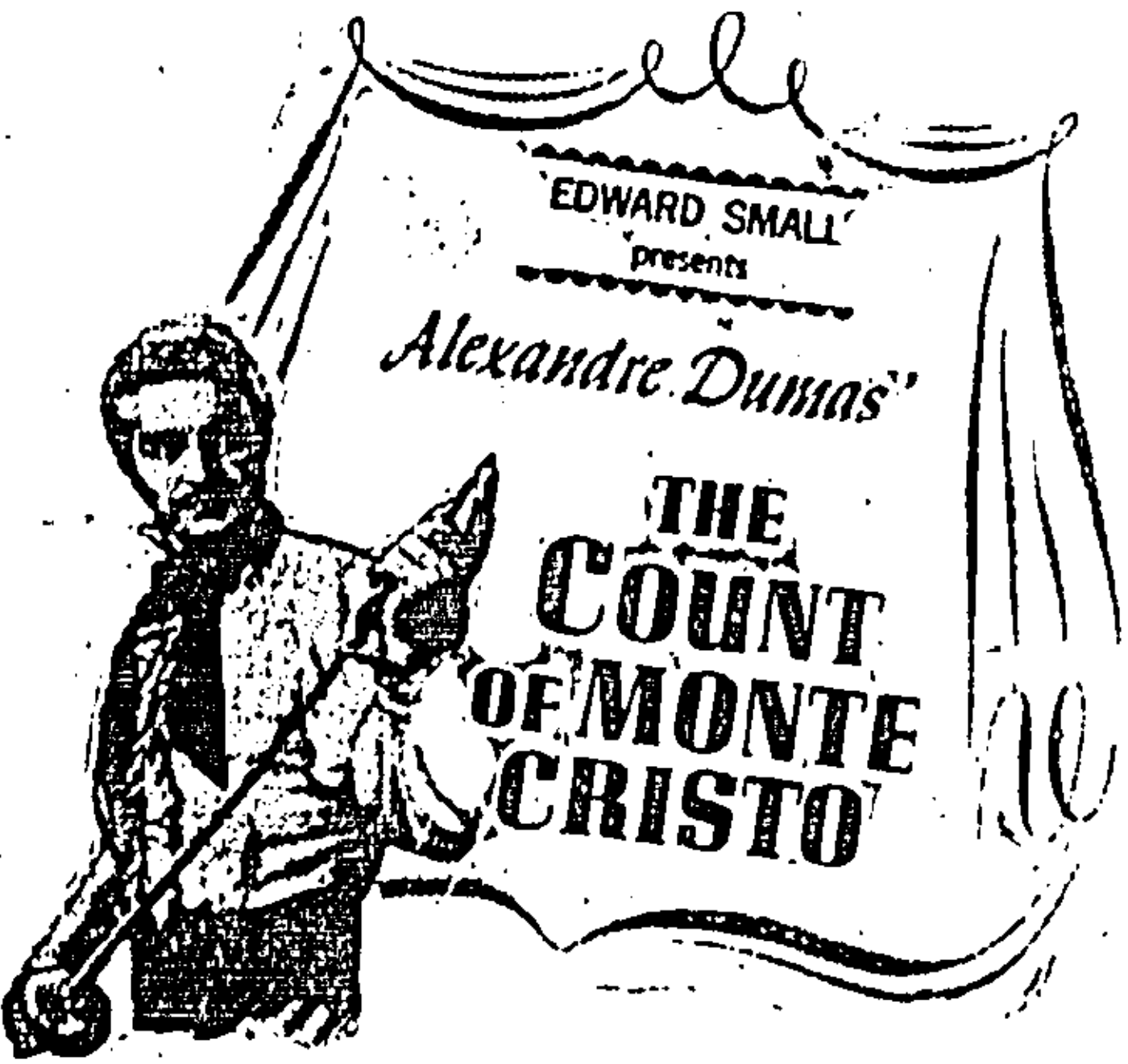
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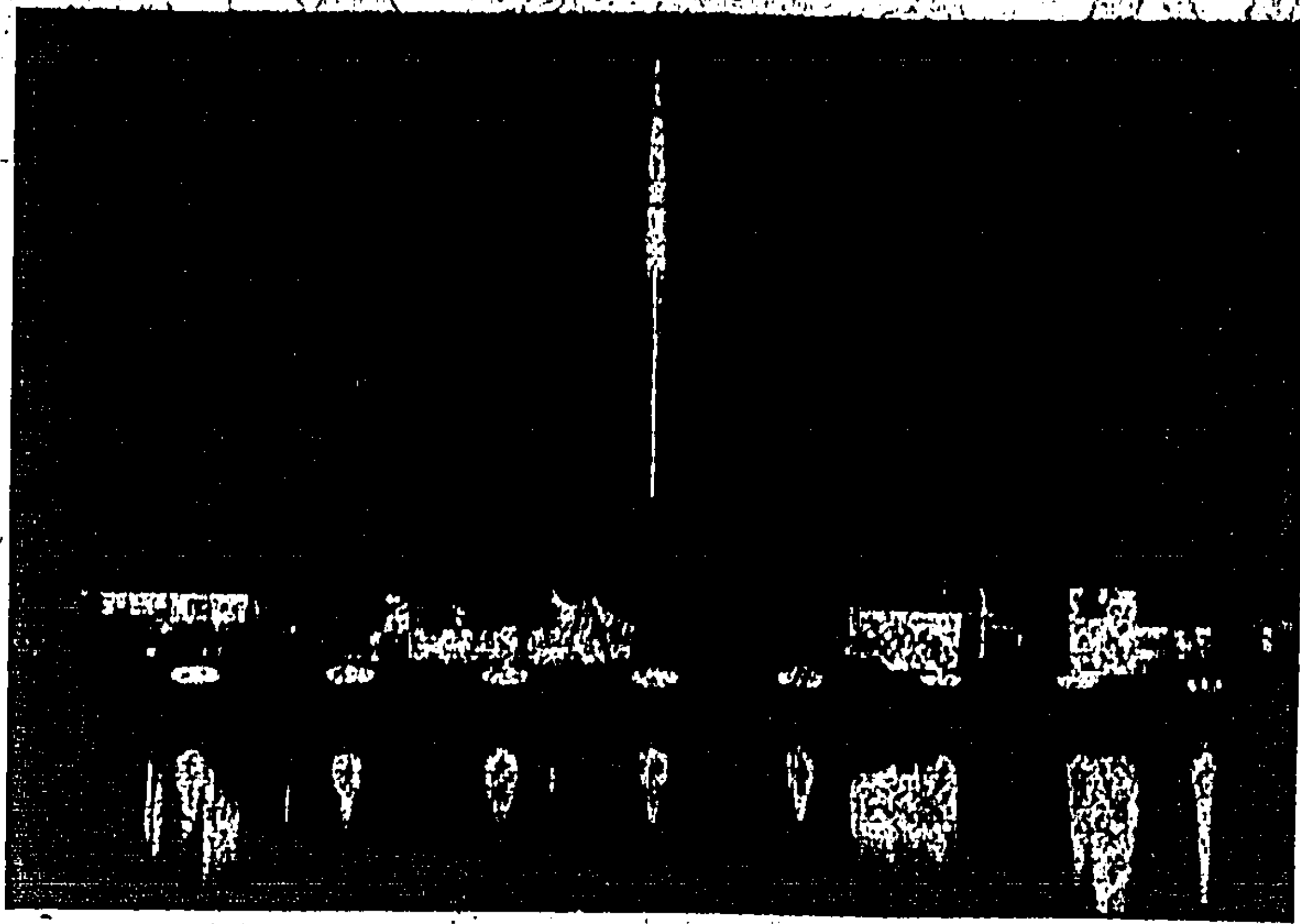
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"THE NIGHT HAS EYES"

ST. GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATED

Engineers testing
illuminations on the
Festival of Britain site
gave an unofficial lustre to
the close of St. George's
Day when the 300-foot
Skylon was lit for the
first time.—AP Photo.**RUSSIAN
CHARGES
DISPROVED**

Lake Success, May 2.

The United States today
released captured North
Korean battle plans which
supported the charge that
the Communists planned the
Korean war and issued
orders to invade South
Korea a full week before
the conflict began last June
25.The documents were sub-
mitted to the Security Council
by the U.S. Chief delegate, Mr.
Warren Austin, in the form of
a special report from Lieut.
General Matthew Ridgway, new
United Nations Supreme Com-
mander in Korea. They com-
prised two orders. The first was
labeled "Reconnaissance Order
No. 1" and was issued by the
general staff of the North
Korean Army to the Chiefs of
Staff of various military units
under the date of June 18. The
second was "Operation Order
No. 1" issued by Lee Kwon Mu,
commander of the North Korean
Fourth Infantry Division, three
days before the attack began."These two orders," Gen.
Ridgway said in his report to the
United Nations, "issued to the
North Korean forces on June 18
and June 22 provide clear and
documented confirmation that
the attack against the Republic
of Korea, launched on the 25th
of June, was carefully prepared
and carried out in accordance
with a deliberate and precon-
ceived plan for the conquest of
the Republic of Korea. The
originals of these two docu-
ments, which are in Korean
languages, are in the possession
of the United States Govern-
ment."Before filing the special re-
port with the Security Council,
Mr. Austin told a news con-
ference, "These documents cor-
roborate the claim the United
States has made in the General
Assembly and the Security
Council to the effect that the
aggressors were North Korea in
the beginning. Their obvious
effect is to provide complete
proof that the charge made by
Andre Gromyko in Paris re-
cently that South Korea initiated
the disturbance by invading
North Korea is absolutely false."
—United Press.**Reward Offered**Asmara, May 2.
U.S. military personnel today
announced a reward of 7,000
East African shillings (£350)
for information leading to the
arrest and conviction of the
Shitta (rebel) gang responsible
for holding up and shooting a
U.S. Sergeant, John A. Cramer,
60 miles from Asmara on
Sunday. Cramer, who is in
hospital, is making progress.—
Associated Press.**ALY TO COUNTER**Paris, May 2.
Mr. M. Dehlot, Prince Aly
Khan's lawyer, said today that
if the Prince's wife, film ac-
tress Rita Hayworth, submits
a request for divorce "we shall
submit one as well."
Commenting on reports to-
day that Prince Aly would ask
American courts for the custody
of his daughter, Jasmine, Mr.
Dehlot said, "We are not re-
maining inactive."—Reuter.**MacDonald Seeing
Bao Dai For
Talks On Defence**

Saigon, May 2.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-
General for South-East Asia, flew today to Dalat,
Southern Annam, to meet Bao Dai, head of the
Vietnamese State.Usually reliable Vietnamese sources expect Mr. Mac-
Donald will confidentially discuss Indo-China's inclusion
in a Pacific Pact.This was the first hint that
the Western Powers were
sounding out the possibility of
including South-East Asian
countries in a Pacific defence
system.The sources declared that the
United States had already made
unofficial approaches to Viet-
nam—an independent State
associated to the French Union.
The Vietnamese were under-
stood to favour their country's
inclusion in a Pact and expected
that this would bring them
American air and British naval
support if Indo-China were
invaded by Chinese Communist
"volunteers."Mr. MacDonald will fly to
Saigon tomorrow to meet the
Premier of Vietnam, M. Tran
Van Huu, and confer once more
with the French Commander-
in-Chief in Indo-China, General
Jean de Lattre de Tassigny.General de Lattre is expected
to arrive at Saigon from Hanoi
tomorrow.Mr. MacDonald, who is on a
five-day fact-finding visit to
Indo-China, was accompanied
today by the Indian Consul-
General, Mr. F. de Mello
Kamath.—Reuter.**LONDON DENIAL**
London, May 2.Any defence discussions which
Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the
British Commissioner-General
for South-East Asia, may hold
with Bao Dai, ex-Empress of
Annam—and the Vietnamese
defence authorities in Saigon
will concern regional defence
planning rather than the in-
clusion of Vietnam in a Pacific
defence pact, according to in-
formed sources here.They said today that the only
immediate negotiations for such
a pact—in the sense that it
binds member States to mutual
obligations in the event of ag-
gression—are those between
Australia, New Zealand and the
United States following their
recent decision to conclude a
joint defence pact.The possibility of extending
this arrangement by other in-
terlocking pacts, foreshadowed
by President Truman when he
announced the tripartite de-
cision, was regarded here as a
fairly long-term matter.—Reuter.**RED EXPELLED**

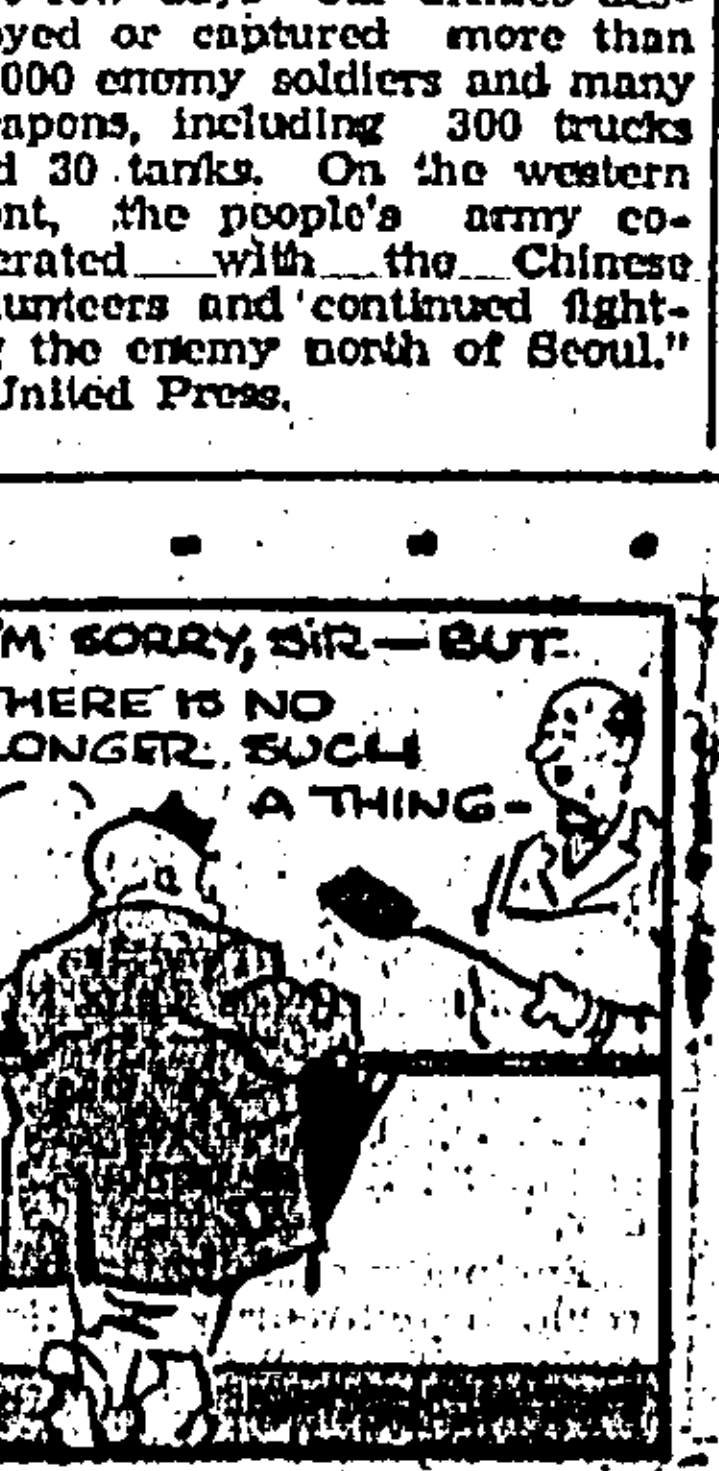
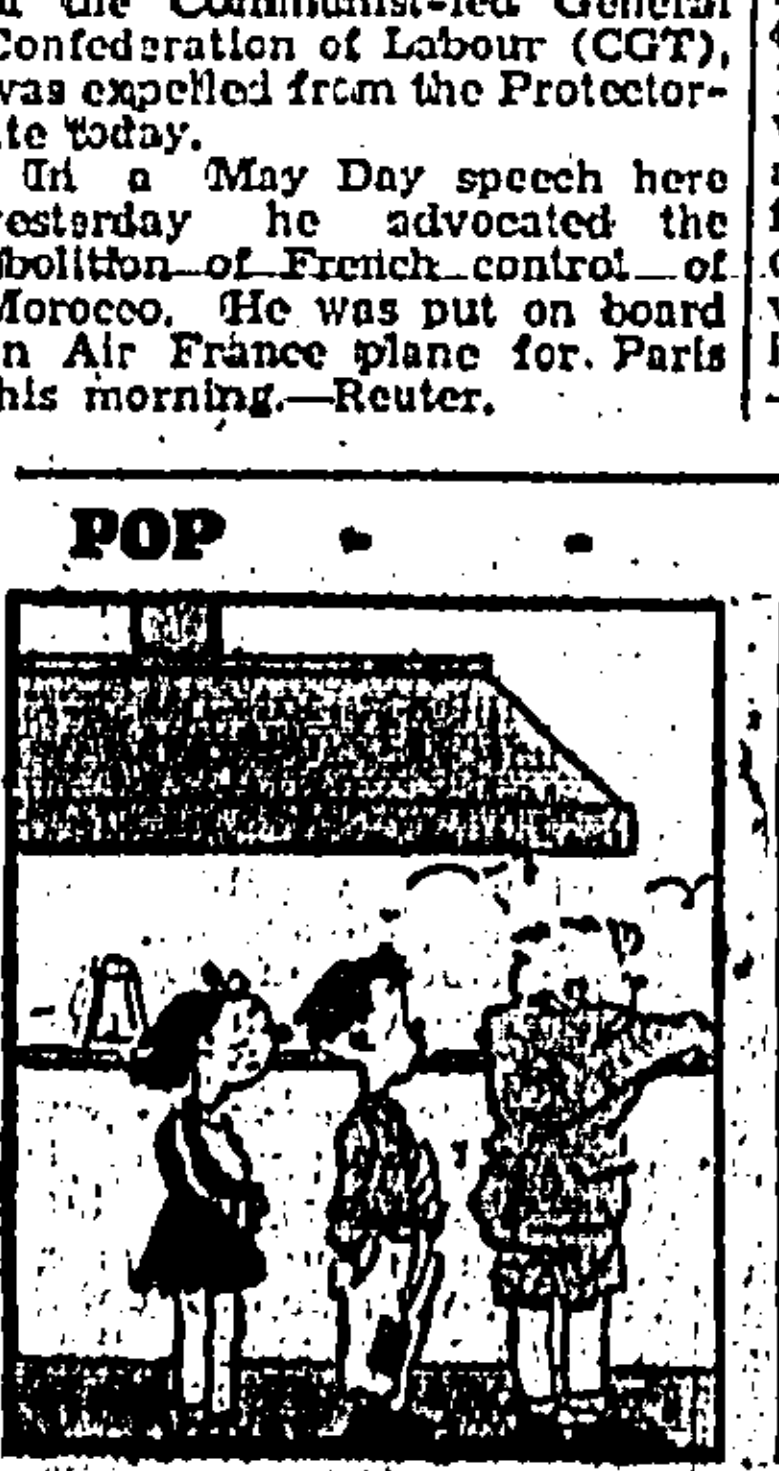
Casablanca, May 2.

M. Andre Leroy, Secretary
General of the Moroccan branch
of the Communist-led General
Confederation of Labour (CGT),
was expelled from the Protector-
ate today.At a May Day speech here
yesterday he advocated the
abolition of French control of
Morocco. He was put on board
an Air France plane for Paris
this morning.—Reuter.**Acquisition
By British
Museum**

London, May 2.

A giant Buddha, weighing 18
tons and believed to be the
largest Chinese sculpture ever to
leave China, has been set up in
the main entrance hall of the
British Museum.The 22-foot high statue is
regarded as the most important
Chinese sculpture in Britain. It
is dated 585 AD, the period
when Buddha art was at its
peak.The statue stood for centuries
in a temple southwest of Peking
until 1918, when it was moved
into the city. It was brought to
London in 1935 for an interna-
tional exhibition of Chinese
art.After the exhibition it was
presented to the British Museum
in commemoration of the
exhibition.The huge white marble
Buddha was originally in two
pieces, figure and base. The
figure was cut down through the
centre, probably to ease its
transport from the temple to
Peking.—Reuter.**North Korea
Claims**

Tokyo, May 3.

The North Korean Pyongyang
radio today, broadcasting an
operational report for May 1,
claimed the destruction of 12-
000 Allied troops "in the last
few days."The broadcast monitored in
Tokyo said: "The Korean peo-
ple's troops in close co-opera-
tion with the Chinese people's
volunteer troops, continued to
fight fierce battles and repel
enemy troops all along the
front. The enemy troops were
suffering big losses. For the
last few days our armies de-
stroyed or captured more than
12,000 enemy soldiers and many
weapons, including 300 trucks
and 30 tanks. On the western
front, the people's army co-
operated with the Chinese
volunteers and continued fight-
ing the enemy north of Seoul."
—United Press.**POP****The Wake Island Documents
Released By Truman****Story Of Historic
Meeting With
General MacArthur**

Washington, May 2.

The Truman Administration's Wake Island
documents, made public late today, quote General
MacArthur as having told President Truman there
was very little chance of Red China's intervention
in Korea.President Truman went to Wake Island last
October to meet General MacArthur and talk over
the Far Eastern situation.What was said has come into controversy since
the President dismissed General MacArthur last
month from his Far Eastern command.The Administration's docu-
ments on the conference
were released by the Senate
Armed Services and Foreign
Relations committees as a
preliminary to their hear-
ings, starting on Thursday,
on General MacArthur's dis-
missal.One of the documents was a
report by the Joint Chiefs of
Staff.This quoted General Mac-
Arthur as having said: "We
are no longer fearful of their
(Chinese Communist) interven-
tion."Later the Chinese Reds at-
tacked United Nations forces
in Korea and created what
General MacArthur called a
"new war."A letter from Gen. Omar N.
Bradley, Chairman of the Joint
Chiefs of Staff, to the commit-
tee said five copies of the re-
port were sent to General Mac-
Arthur 12 days after the con-
ference.**NOT CONTRADICTED**General Bradley's letter
added:"To my knowledge, since
that time we have received no
information from General Mac-
Arthur, or his headquarters,
that would indicate any non-
concurrence with the record of
the conference."General MacArthur was
quoted in conversational form
in the summary, which General
Bradley told the Senators, was
compiled from notes during the
return trip from Wake Island.General Bradley was one of
those who attended the Wake
Island meeting.General Bradley said all those
who took part, including
stenographers, helped supply
data that was combined for the
report labeled "Substance of
Statements Made at Wake
Island Conference."The summary said that at the
opening of the conference
General MacArthur told Pres-
ident Truman and others:"I believe that formal resis-
tance will end throughout North
and South Korea by Thank-
sgiving Day."A little later General Mac-
Arthur was quoted:"What are the chances for
Chinese or Soviet inter-
ference?"General MacArthur was
quoted in reply:"Very little. Had they inter-
fered in the first or second
months, it would have been de-
cisive. We are no longer fearful
of their intervention. We no
longer stand hot in hand."The Chinese have 300,000
men in Manchuria. Of these
probably not more than 100,000
to 125,000 are distributed along
the Yalu River. Only 50,000 to
60,000 could be got across the
Yalu River. They have no air
force. Now that we have bases
for our air force in Korea, if
the Chinese tried to get down
to Pyongyang there would be
the greatest slaughter.—Asso-
ciated Press.**GERMANY
ADMITTED
TO COUNCIL**

Strasbourg, May 2.

The West German Gov-
ernment today became a
fully-fledged member of
the Council of Europe on a
footing of equality with
13 other nations of
Western Europe.The Council's upper house,
the Committee of Foreign
Ministers, voted the Germans
in at the beginning of its initial
session here this afternoon in
the Council's headquarters, the
Maison de l'Europe.The unanimously adopted
resolution noted that the Bonn
regime fulfills the condition
necessary to become a member.Among these conditions out-
lined in the Council's statutes
are a democratic system of
government and determination
to work for the peace and
stability of Europe.Germany previously had been
only an associate member
holding seats in the Consulta-
tive Assembly but no voice
in the Ministerial Committee.
This committee is the only
branch of the Council that can
make decisions.Just before Foreign Minis-
ters' vote, Germany's Chancellor
Konrad Adenauer, here as Ger-
man Foreign Minister, was
ushered into the committee
room and took a place next to
French Foreign Minister Robert
Schuman.—Associated Press.**MTB RAMMED
IN CHANNEL**

London, May 2.

Doctors and ambulance men
waited on the quayside at New-
haven early today for the ar-
rival of two M.T.B.s which
collided during night exercises
in the Channel.A radio message from the
boats said two sailors had been
injured.Three M.T.B.s were taking
part in the exercise. One boat
rammed another five miles
south of Easkey Head. The
rammed vessel was stated to be
shipping water fast, and was
being towed back to Newhaven.Fire-pumps from Newhaven
brigade were sent to the
quayside ready to pump out
the damaged vessel.**Gaekwar May Be
Restored**

New Delhi, May 2.

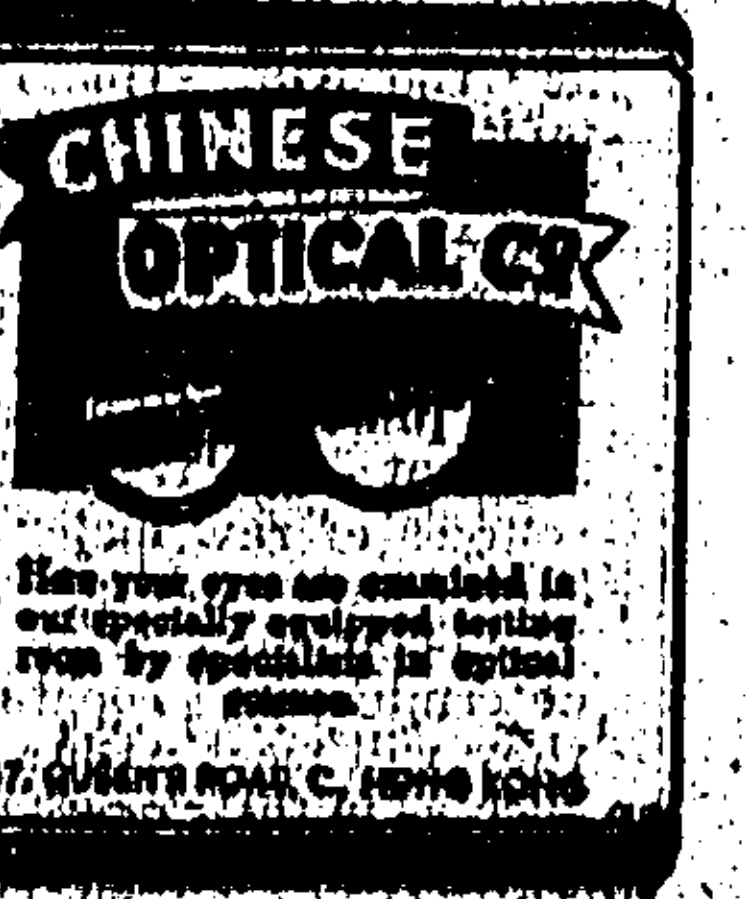
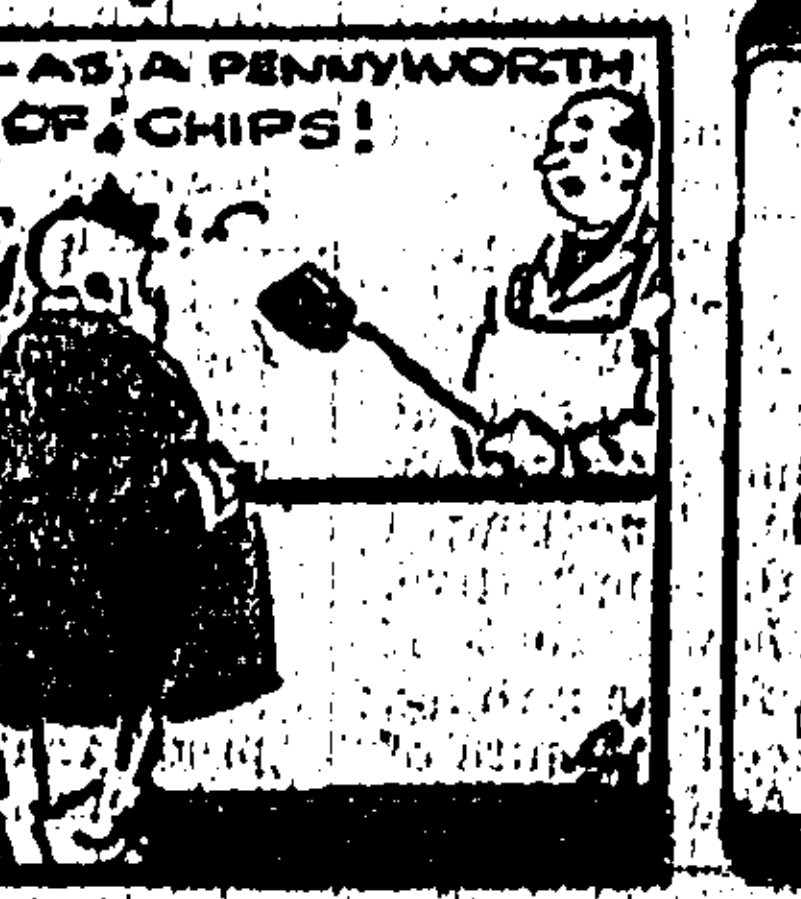
Chances that the deposed
Gaekwar of Baroda will be re-
stored are believed to be grow-
ing, although a deputation of 25
M.P.s today asked the States
Ministry not to withdraw the
order against him.
The Government of India is
still studying his appeal.**Too Easy
Peace A
Danger**

Vansittart Warning

London, May 2.

Lord Vansittart, formerly
Britain's chief diplomatic
adviser, warned the Govern-
ment today against making
a too easy peace with Com-
munist China.He urged it to make no con-
cession on the basis of an end
to the war in Korea only. Bri-
tain had no right to consent to
anything that might simply
transfer hostilities, he told the
House of Lords."Surely we owe something to
the people murdered in Malaya
and to the French in Indo-
China," he said. Until Com-
munist China signed and kept
a peace there could be no ques-
tion of admitting her to the
United Nations.Other points Lord Vansittart
made were:Germany: Germans should
not take part in the defence of
the West unless they specifi-
cally asked to do so. There was
still a great deal of the old
devil spirit in Germany.Spain: If the United States
decided to help in the Iberian
Peninsula, Britain should not
interfere.Egypt: The British proposals
to Egypt (reported to include
an agreement in principle to a
withdrawal of British troops)
were almost suicidal.Britain should tell Egypt she
was glad to have her friend-
ship but British friendship to
them was worth a great deal.Persia: The Government
should not hesitate to use force
if British lives were in danger.
This would happen on a large
scale if forcible expropriation
of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Com-
pany was attempted.The Mediterranean: A valid
organisation should be set up
in which the Greek and Tur-
kish armies would be immen-
sely valuable. He would like
to see Spain and Yugoslavia in
it, though he disliked sending
equipment to a "tyrant like
Tito."If Russia struck west into
Europe there would be the
possibility of the Allies strik-
ing upwards under "the belly
of the monster" and liberate
the enslaved nations of Eastern
Europe.—Reuter.**Typhoon
Threat In
Philippines**

Manila, May 3.

A tropical typhoon with 110-
miles-per-hour winds in the
centre veered slightly westward
overnight, raising the possibi-
lity that it might strike the
Philippines.A weather observation plane
reported the centre located at
six o'clock this morning at 11
degrees, two minutes north and
132 degrees, 26 minutes east.
The intensity had increased 10
miles per hour in the centre
since the typhoon was first dis-
covered yesterday.The path of the typhoon, re-
ported yesterday as northwest,
had changed to west-northwest
this morning. The location
given is about 425 miles due east
of Tacloban, Leyte Island. The
previous report had predicted
the centre would be northeast
of Tacloban by morning.No typhoon warnings have
been posted as yet, but the
Philippines Islands from Min-
danao to Luzon have been ad-
vised to be on the alert.—
Associated Press.

British Legation Workers Gaoled

Budapest, May 3. Twenty-eight Hungarians employed by the Information Department of the British Legation have been arrested, the Legation stated today.

They were detained during March and April. Nine of them were full-time employees, the rest part-time distributors of the Legation's Hungarian language bulletin.

Others, including six distributors, were arrested last week.—Reuter.

Depth Charge May Have Caused Gib Explosion

NAVAL THEORY

London, May 2. The blowing up of the British naval ammunition ship *Bedenham* in Gibraltar Harbour last Friday is thought to have been caused by the explosion of a depth charge in a lighter moored alongside, Mr. Walter Edwards, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, said in the House of Commons today.

"The resulting fire caused ammunition in the lighter to explode. The force of this explosion broke the *Bedenham* into two," Mr. Edwards said.

"Inquiries are now taking place in the port in which these depth charges were loaded," he said. "So far as the explosive is concerned, that is a matter we are also looking into at the present time."

Asked whether the steps taken last year to lighten security measures at ports and naval establishments were considered adequate, Mr. Edwards replied: "At home we are perfectly satisfied—or at least as satisfied as we can be. So far as Gibraltar is concerned we shall have to await the report of the Board of Inquiry."

The Minister said that the *Bedford* was now 10, including six dockyard workers. These local dockyard workers were missing, presumed dead. Eleven others were known to be seriously injured.

About 500 tons of ammunition blew up in the 1,192-ton *Bedenham*, shaking every building in Gibraltar.

DAMAGE CLAIMS

Mr. Edwards said that machinery to allow claims for compensation had been set up in Gibraltar by the Admiralty without prejudice to ultimate liability.

Asked whether he could confirm that the civilian damage was superficial and that there was no need for an emergency scheme, the Minister said: "From information received there is no need for an emergency scheme. The civilian damage was highly superficial, but despite that we have sent

Acheson Claims:

Recommendations In Wedemeyer Report Were Carried Out

Washington, May 2. Secretary of State Dean Acheson said at his Press conference today that the Administration had carried out virtually every one of the recommendations made by Lieutenant-General Albert Wedemeyer in his report to the President on Korea in September 1947.

The only Wedemeyer proposal not accepted and implemented was that concerning the creation of an American-officered scout organisation similar to the famed Philippine Scouts of the pre-war days.

Instead, the United States left a 500-man military mission in the Republic of South Korea when American troops withdrew on June 29, 1949, more than ten months after an independent government was established by the United Nations.

Mr. Acheson said the detailed, heavy economic assistance the United States had given Korea was in line with the Wedemeyer report. He pointed out the United States had given through its Military Advisory Mission consistent training to the Korean armed forces right up until the time the Communists attacked. War material worth approximately \$110,000,000 was turned over to the South Korean armed forces by the United States.

In a point-by-point resume of action the Administration had taken to implement General Wedemeyer's recommendations, Mr. Acheson said:

1. It had tried continuously, as Wedemeyer recommended, to approach the Soviet Union, which held North Korea, with the aim of establishing a unified, free and independent country but failed due to the Russian refusal to recognise United Nations authority.

MILITARY MISSION

2. It left an American military advisory mission of 500 men in the Republic of South Korea to train the Korean military forces, which were estimated at 114,000 men, when the American troops withdrew in June 1949.

3. Prior to the North Korean attack, the United Nations had given the South Koreans military equipment which had originally cost \$57,000,000 and which at the time of delivery had a replacement value of almost \$100,000,000. The equipment included 105,000 rifles and carbines, over 2,000 machine-guns, more than 50,000 rounds of ammunition, mortars, howitzers, bazookas and other artillery, with ammunition, 5,000 trucks, 40,000 mines, 72 vessels and 20 liaison aircraft.

4. "Further military assistance was provided—for in the

out an officer from the Admiralty to look into the whole question.

"Damage to His Majesty's ships was of a minor character not affecting efficiency. The dockyard was in full working order by Monday, April 30," Mr. Edwards said.—Reuter.

mutual defence assistance act of 1949. The advice and training of technical specialists and tactical units had been and was being provided by the military advisory mission."

ECONOMIC AID

5. The United States gave Korea a total of \$350,000,000 for government and relief during the 1945-48 period of occupation. In addition, when the Republic of South Korea was established on August 15, 1948, ECA laid out a three-year programme calling for \$285,000,000 in economic assistance to the new Republic.

Mr. Acheson concluded: "The only recommendation not carried out in actual fact was that calling for the creation of an American-officered Korean scout force. Instead, we provided a military mission to advise and train a Korean-officered army. In actual operations, our officers have served with Korean forces in the field."—United Press.

British Casualties In Korea

London, May 2. British casualties in the recent operations in Korea were 1,074 up till noon today, the Defence Minister, Mr. Emmanuel Shinwell, told the House of Commons today.

They included 48 killed, 223 wounded and 803 missing.

He hoped that a high proportion of the missing would eventually make their way back to friendly territory.

In Washington, the Army Department announced that United States casualties in Korea up to the week ending April 27 were 9,083 killed, 42,246 wounded and 10,950 missing.

The United States Defence Department estimated that the Chinese and North Korean Communists suffered more than 50,000 casualties in the first week of their present offensive.

These casualties, including dead, wounded and other losses, covered the period from April 22 to 29.—Reuter and Associated Press.

British General Replaced

Karachi, May 2. Lt.-Gen. Ross MacDermid, last high-ranking British officer, was replaced today as Chief of Staff of the Pakistan Army by a Pakistani, Lt.-Gen. Ali Khan. With the exception of technical posts and a few advisers, the entire army is now officered by Pakistani nationals.

The posts of Commanders-in-Chief of the Royal Pakistan Navy and Royal Pakistan Air Force are still held by British officers, who are not likely to be replaced in the near future.—Associated Press.

Rajah's Remains Flown Home

London, May 2. The body of the Maharajah of Rajppla, aged 61, who died at Windsor, Berkshire, on April 29, was today taken aboard a special plane which left London Airport for India.

One of the wealthiest of the Indian princes, the Maharajah of Rajppla was a familiar figure in London. He was a noted race-horse owner in India as well as Britain. His horse, Windsor Lad, won the 1934 Derby.—Reuter.

Gold Strike In Norway

Oslo, May 2. The latest analysis of quartz found at Bellangen, south of Narvik, North Norway, shows signs of a goldfield in that area. Samples taken last year had a gold content of 16 grammes (270 grains). Samples taken recently one mile away this year had a gold content of 7.4 grammes (111 grains).

The next stage in the investigations will be diamond boring. It is expected that State support will be provided.—Reuter.

Queen Mary At Cinema



Queen Mary, wearing a white fox-collared silver brocade cloak over a dress of oyster and gold brocade, arrives at the Carlton Theatre for the *Tales of Hoffmann* premiere. The Countess of Harewood is with her.—London Express Service.

Malayan Situation Continues To Show Improvement

London, May 2. Civilian morale in Malaya has improved steadily in the last month despite heavy attacks by Communist-led terrorists, Colonial Secretary George Griffiths told the House of Commons today.

Mr. Griffiths also asserted that more and better information about the guerrillas was now reaching Government forces.

The Colonial Secretary's survey was given to the House in a written answer to questions about current conditions in the revolt-plagued Colony.

"Since I made my last statement on the situation in Malaya on Feb. 27," Mr. Griffiths said, "the improvement both in civilian morale and in the amount and quality of information reaching the security forces has continued steadily. I regard these two factors in particular as significant."

"While the number of major incidents remains serious and the casualties inflicted by the bandits on the security forces

LOOTED GOLD IN DISPUTE

Washington, May 2. Britain, France and the United States today agreed to submit to arbitration the claims of Italy and Albania for gold looted by Nazi Germany during the war.

The US State Department said that if the Arbitrators awarded the gold, valued at \$293,000, to Albania, it would be handed to Britain unless Italy or Albania appealed directly to the International Court itself.

This would settle Britain's claim on Albania for damage to two British destroyers, *Sauro* and *Vogel*, which hit mines in the Corfu Channel off Albania in October, 1946.

The International Court awarded Britain £875,000 damages against Albania in 1949.

The State Department said that the Gold Commission established by the three Western Powers could not agree on the disposal of the gold. They would ask the International Court of Justice to appoint an Arbitrator, whose decision they would accept, the Department said.

The gold, looted from Rome in 1943, was claimed by Albania, Italy lodged her claim because she alleged, in 1945, Albania confiscated, without compensation, the assets of the National Bank of Albania, of which the Italian Government was the principal shareholder.—Reuter.

Britain's Aims In Korea

London, May 2. Lord Jowitt, the Lord Chancellor, said tonight that Britain was not fighting Communism or Communist China in Korea, but aggression.

"We must stand firm and continue to fight that aggression as long as it is necessary," he told the House of Lords in a defence debate.

He agreed with Lord Vansittart, who initiated the debate, that there must be no appeasement if that meant a weakening on this particular issue.

Britain's immediate aim was to bring about a cease-fire in Korea—which was not appeasement—if the Chinese were willing.

Lord Jowitt said that the effort of the Good Offices Committee to bring this about had been unavailing. There had been no response whatever from China.

But the West must go on trying.

He hoped wiser counsels would prevail in China. But because this had not yet happened it would be unwise to contemplate of present any extension of the war.

ALL AT STAKE

Lord Jowitt said it would be a profound mistake to try to mix up this problem with those of Malaya and Indo-China. These problems must be isolated and dealt with one by one.

"Everything is at stake here," he said.

Was China prepared to be a law-abiding member of the community of nations? If so he had every hope that a cease-fire and a peaceful settlement in Korea would come.

Lord Jowitt defended Britain's recognition of China, which was attacked by Opposition speakers. What had happened in Korea might not have happened if Communist China had been in the United Nations, he said.

Lord Jowitt also said that Britain and other countries were examining with great sympathy Yugoslavia's request for military supplies and equipment.—Reuter.

SENATOR'S ATTACK

Washington, May 2. A Republican Senator, Mr. Homer Capehart (Indiana) declared today that Britain and France have no stomach for the fighting in Korea.

Britain gave "lip support" to the battle against Communism, he told the Senate. But at the same time she continued to "feather her financial nest by keeping up active trade with Red China—the real aggressor in the Korean conflict."

Mr. Capehart introduced into the Senate a resolution demanding that American soldiers in Korea should be withdrawn unless other members of the United Nations sent "adequate and satisfactory" numbers of troops to the battle area.—Reuter.

Prince Dies In Paris

Paris, May 2. Prince Mansour Ibn Aziz, 29-year-old fifth son of Saudi Arabia's King Ibn Saud, died at his Paris hotel last night, the Arabian Embassy said tonight.

Prince Mansour had been serving as his father's Minister of Defence and was in Paris on an official visit, the Embassy said. The nature of his visit was not disclosed.

The Embassy said the Prince died unexpectedly, of a heart ailment.

His body is to be flown on Thursday to Riad, capital of his Saudi Arabian kingdom.—Associated Press.

Churches To Discuss Refugees

Beyrouth, May 2. Fifty delegates and 17 observers and advisers of the World Council of Churches assembled here today for a conference on the Middle East refugee problem.

The conference opens on Friday.

Among delegates listed are the Orthodox Patriarch of Alexandria and representatives of Jerusalem, Istanbul and Anglican Bishop of Egypt Geoffrey Allen.

The Western Churches are not represented.

Delegates are visiting refugee camps in the Lebanon and Jordan. They have called a Press conference for Thursday.

The meetings will be opened by Boutros, Fayad, Minister of Justice.

Mr. John Barwick, chairman of the programme committee, and Mr. Eitan Rees, both said the conference is determined to discuss the refugee problem openly and frankly and make constructive recommendations.—Associated Press.

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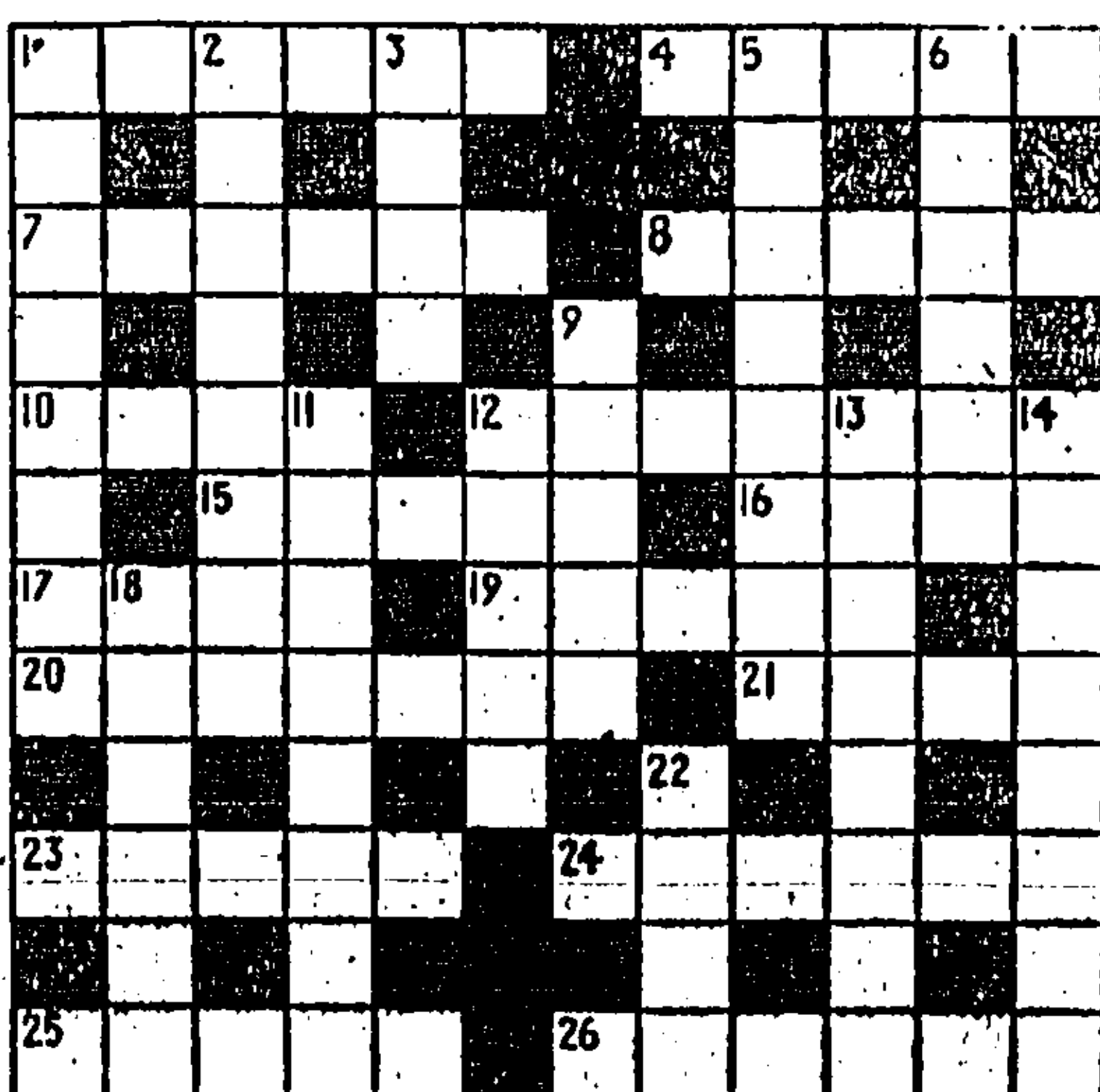
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 - Contrary (8).
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 - Tortoise (8).
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 - Picture support (5).
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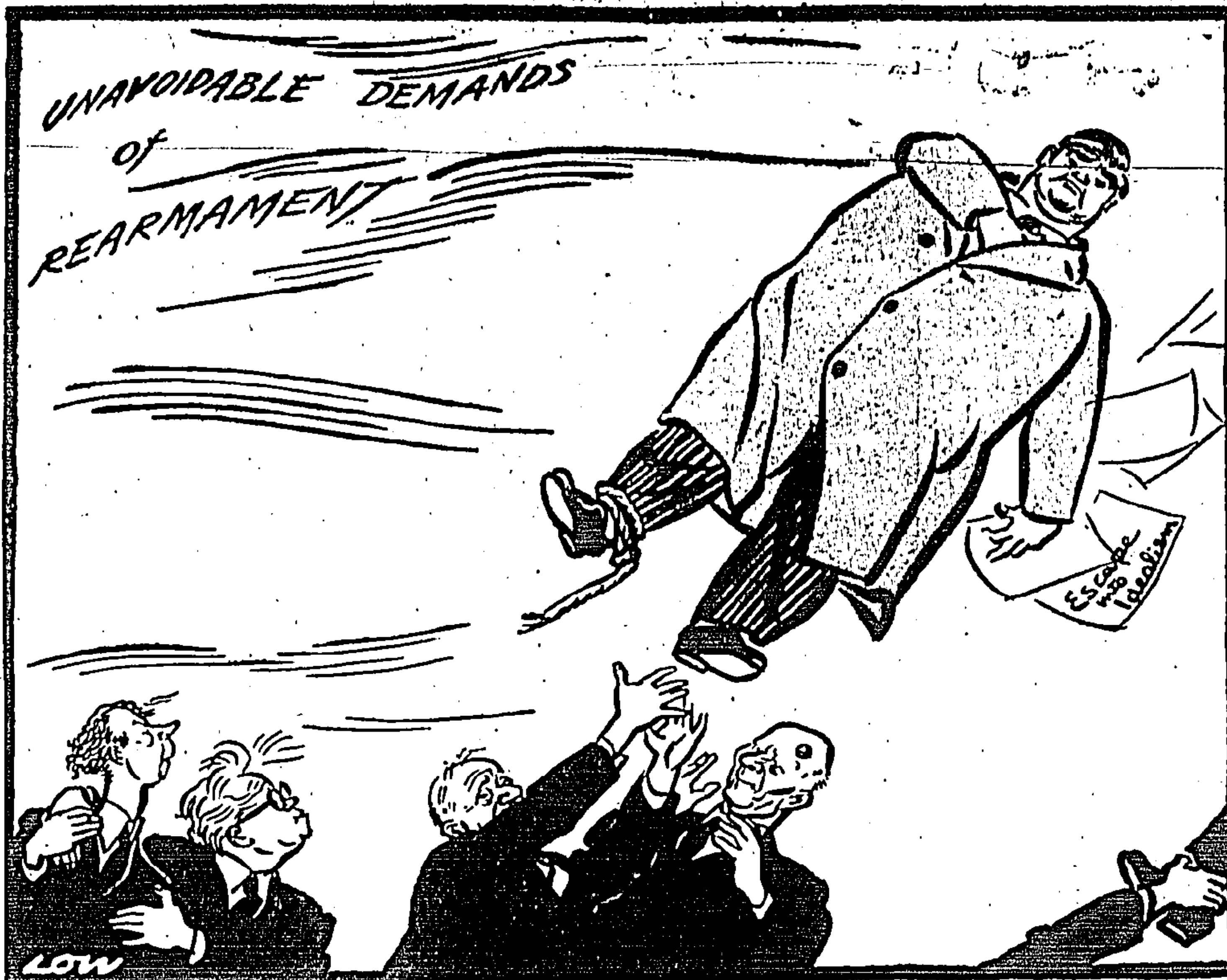
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Oxford, Apr. 23.

USING the opaque glass panel of the door for a mirror, the undergraduate on the doorstep of No. 41, St. Giles's Street, Oxford, was putting last-minute touches to an unruly mop of hair with a pocket comb.

The undergraduate was going for an interview with the University Appointments Committee. Through their offices at 41, Giles (as the street is commonly known) about 82 per cent of those students who subsequently enter industry and commerce make their first acquaintance with the world of business.

The trouble the young man took over his coiffure suggested that he was an Arts student and not a scientist. A scientist would hardly have to trouble how he looked. Demand for their kind keeps abreast—indeed a little ahead—of supply.

The young man who will graduate this summer with an Arts degree, however, needs to impress. There is a growing tendency for Arts graduates to find it difficult to get jobs that are in line with their qualifications. The number down in the books of university appointments boards and committees as unemployed shows a small but steady rise.

Even barmen

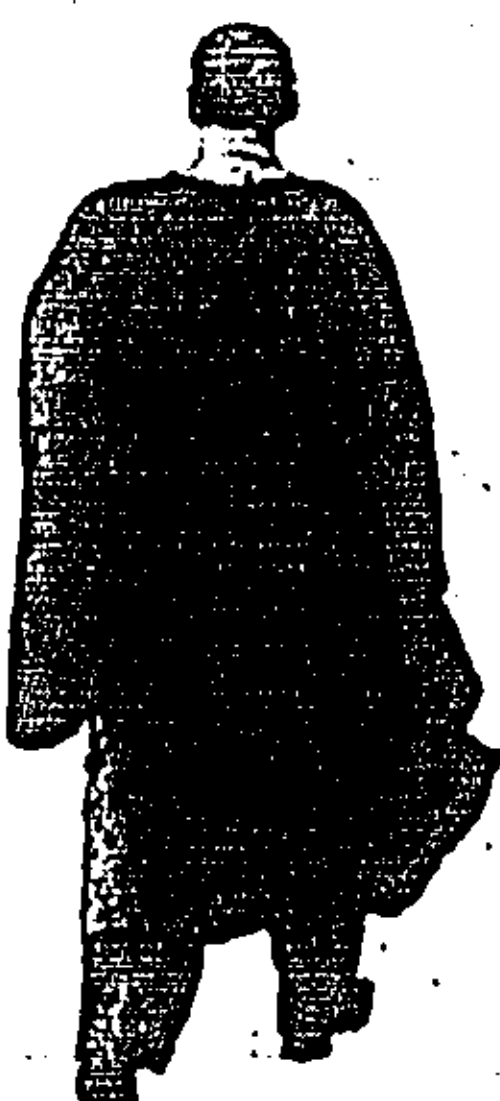
IN the Ministry of Labour sense of the word, few graduates are unemployed, for many take temporary jobs—as shop assistants, say, or barmen—while waiting for posts for which a three-year training with a degree has fitted them.

"There is nothing yet to be alarmed about," says Mr Charles Ewart Escrib, MA, secretary of the Oxford University Appointments Committee, "but there is a trend that must be watched." And, conservatively, he adds: "It is not more difficult for a man to get the kind of job he wants, but it is, well, less easy."

Mr Escrib is a friendly, cigarette-smoking athletic-looking man of 45 who himself went into industry after taking an Arts degree from Keble College.

He became sales manager of a big textile group in the North of England. There, his job in part consisted of interviewing, selecting and training salesmen. Now in a room that has affluence with a don's study (Oxford prints on the walls, cricket fixtures pinned to a board) and with a business-man's office (trade magazines neatly arranged on a table, the Directory of Directors, Stock Exchange Year-book, Whitaker's on his shelves), he interviews undergraduates about their future.

"The increasing recognition by industry of the value of a university training has been, since the war, remarkable," he



As the new term starts at Oxford and Cambridge, **ROBERT KINGSLEY** seeks an answer to the question: What is a BA worth to-day if you're looking for a job?

Of the rest 40 per cent stayed on to do special work or research. The Appointments Committee found jobs in business for 224, and the latest available figure, at the end of last year, showed that 165 were, from the committee's point of view, unemployed.

Temporary jobs apart, graduates who go into business, may expect to start with a salary in the £400 to £500 a year bracket.

About 250 women students graduated last June, of those there are probably between 30 and 60 now looking for jobs.

According to Miss Doris Fone, MA, secretary to the Women's Appointments Committee, most women want jobs with the big international agencies (UNO, UNESCO and so on), or in literature or with the BBC.

The jobs on offer are more likely to be secretarial ones in industry or trainee-jobs with the big stores.

Only one firm in the country, says Miss Fone, will accept women graduates for training in management in the way that men are trained.

In America

COMPARING the use made of Arts graduates by industry in Britain and America, Mr G. W. Anson, deputy chairman of the Imperial Tobacco Company, wrote last year (in the *FBI Review*): "If in general the greater efficiency of American industry is accepted as a fact, and if there is a marked divergence of practice between the two countries in their use of Arts graduates, it is at least worth considering whether it may be one of the factors contributing to American superiority."

The boy combing his hair on the doorstep in St. Giles may by this summer be first-footing in industry, or he may be marking time in a temporary job. Which it is to be will depend partly upon him, partly upon the Appointments Committee and partly upon industry—from the managing director to the trades unionist on the bench.

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—WASTING HIS TIME?

"But there are many firms still that don't know how to set about getting graduates, and there is still opposition in some quarters—from the trade unions, for instance."

"What the trade unionist does not realise, very often, is that the graduate who gets a job is just as likely to be his work-mate's son as the son of his managing director. The number of undergraduates here who are receiving some kind of financial grant or other has never fallen below 80 per cent since the war."

Last June between 1,200 and 1,300 undergraduates sat for their final examinations at Oxford.

Of those, roughly a quarter were scientists who had no difficulty in finding jobs.

INSIDE INFORMATION

By **MERCURY**

PRESIDENT Truman has been asked by supporters to invite General MacArthur to become one of his military advisers.

An office in the War Department has been prepared for MacArthur by the U.S. Army.

America will place two advisers with the West German Government this summer to limit imports.

The War Office is worried by reports that Egypt intends to boycott British forces in Suez.

One measure would be withdrawal of Egyptian labour from British camps.

Italy has proposed that all North Atlantic countries offer Russia a non-aggression pact.

Successful shoots with atomic shells have been made by U.S. artillery.

Red China has acquired a minelaying submarine flotilla from the Soviet Navy.

General Eisenhower and Mr Churchill will be guests of Viscount Montgomery at the Alamein reunion in London this year.

Ten thousand British Eighth Army men and their wives will attend it on October 19.

British steel exports will slump in May. More rolling mills are expected to close.

Reasons are exhaustion of ore stocks, with ore ships switched to coal, and fallings in direction of the industry by the Steel Corporation.

Chiang Kai-shek has invited General MacArthur to become

adviser to the Nationalist forces in Formosa.

The U.S. is shipping more arms and food to Formosa for a long-term occupation.

Norway may open up disused sulphur-pyrites mines to meet the world shortage.

The Norwegian Government would expect Britain to share the costs of the enterprise.

France has granted a credit of £7,000,000 to Marshal Tito to buy French weapons and equipment.

Soviet broadcasts to America will be increased by four hours daily, and will be mainly about the war in Korea.

This is an attempt to weaken the American attitude after the dismissal of General MacArthur.

A new threat to British car exports is the Australian 'Hart' not light car. Five hundred will be built monthly.

We'll soon see if we backed the right fighter

A LARGE-SCALE air battle was fought over Korea recently involving escorted U.S. heavy bombers and Russian MIG 15 fighters. Altogether 225 planes were said to have been involved.

If more big-scale engagements take place—and intelligence reports regarding the enemy build-up suggest that they will—the R.A.F. will watch results with anxious attention.

Study the timing of this first big clash alongside the news of the MacArthur-Truman split. It is significant. It means that the world's two greatest air powers, Russia and the United States, are taking each other's measure under conditions which greatly favour the Russians.

For extra piquancy is given to the struggle by the fact that the Russians have great numbers of bombers of exactly the same kind as the Superforts. They are, in fact, carbon copies.

Cheese-paring

IN addition, the R.A.F. has no interceptor fighter in the same class as the swept-wing MIGs and Sabres.

The Communists have long wanted an opportunity to try out their new MIG 15 fighters against the best bombers and escort fighters that the United States could put against them.

Rightly or wrongly—and most people would say wrongly—we have delayed in putting swept-wing fighters into production, concentrating on types which are slower but have a better climb and greater manoeuvrability at very high altitudes.

by **HUGH DUNDAS**



THE MIG 15 jet plane, with a Russian-built Rolls-Royce Nene engine, flies at 650 m.p.h., has two 23mm. cannon and one of 37mm

Thus the Americans are denied the opportunity of even trying to establish the first principle of air superiority—the principle of destroying the enemy's planes by bringing them to action under conditions of your own choosing.

What are the weapons involved?

On the one side Superforts and F.80 Sabre fighters. On the other MIG 15s. The Superforts rely for their defence not so much on speed as on very heavy fire power. A fighter attacking a formation of these bombers as faced by a terrifying battery of 20mm. cannons, all centrally controlled and aimed by radar.

A typical example is the de Havilland Venom, now in production and due for squadron service shortly.

There is no doubt that the choice is due in some measure to cheese-paring. For the Venoms could be made easily and quickly on the same jigs used for Vampires, while swept-wing fighters would have to be started from scratch.

Was the policy justified? The American fighter pilots will find the answer the hard way.

(London Express Service)

I'd choose—

THERE are few things which I would like to do less than attack such a formation. But if I had to do so I think I would choose an MIG 15.

For these planes are as fast as anything in the world, and so, having a high overtaking speed, spend only the minimum time in the danger area. On top of that they carry bigger guns than R.A.F. or U.S.A.F. fighters, which means they are lethal at greater range.

The F.80 Sabre, the fastest non-Communist fighter in the world, appears so far to match up fairly evenly with the MIG in performance.

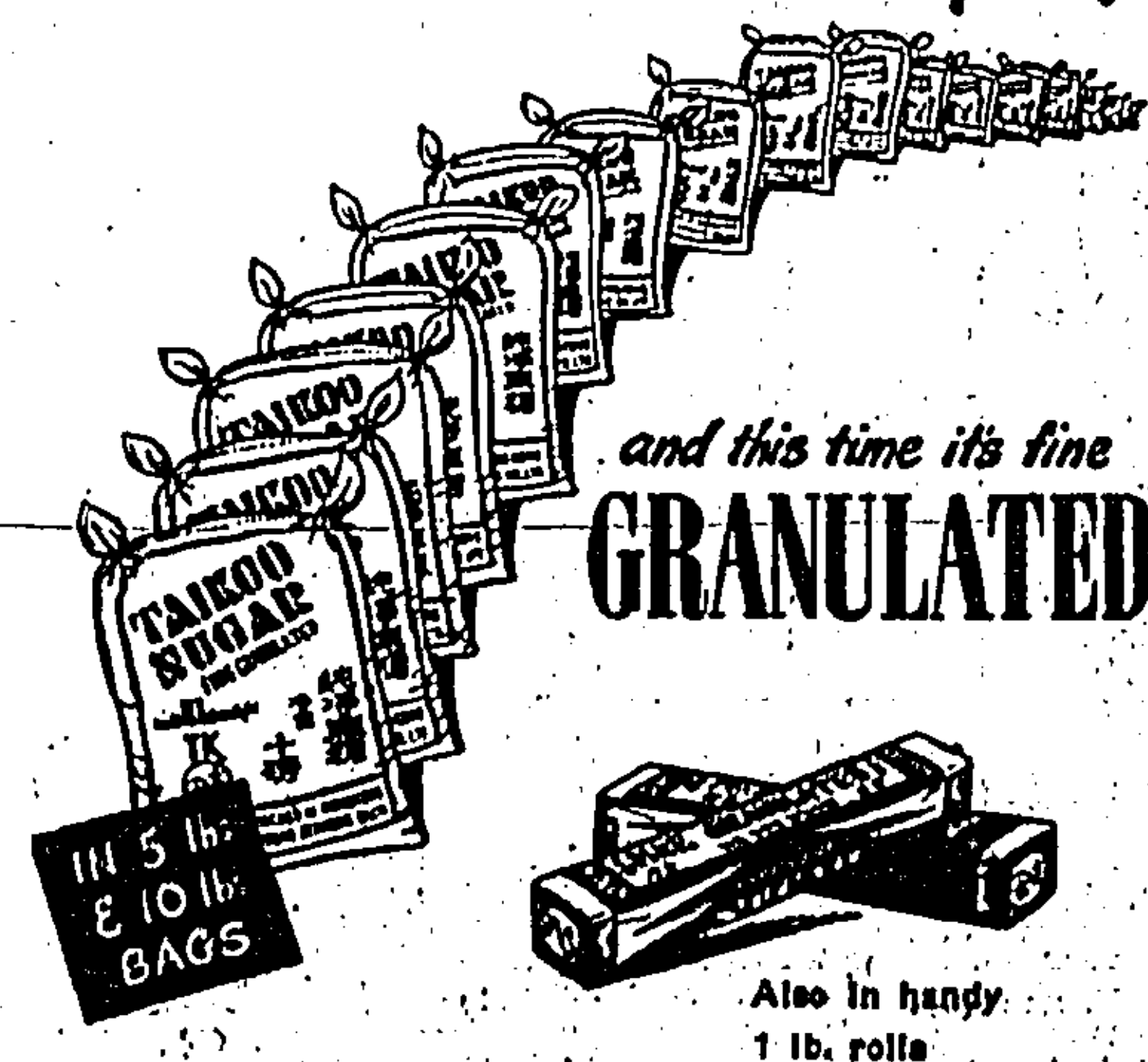
But it has one handicap: it is comparatively underarmed. Against the Russians' heavy cannons the F.80 can only muster half a dozen 0.5-inch machine guns.

POCKET CARTOON
by **OSBERT LANCASTER**



"Before condemning the idea of giving Scotland and Wales their independence out of hand, just pause and think for a moment of some of the people who could be deported as undesirable aliens!"

It's TAIKOO SUGAR again!



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WOMANSENSE

BAKED MEAT MOULDS

HERE'S A TIP FOR USING UP LEFT-OVER MEAT

WHAT! STILL ANOTHER MRS. A?

CHOP FINELY
1/2 LBS. MINCE
ABOUT 1/2 LB.
COLD MEAT

AND MIX IT WITH...
1/2 OZ. BREAD-CRUMBS
1/2 SMALL ONION
CHOPPED
1 OZ. MELTED MARG
SALT AND PEPPER
A SMALL BEATEN EGG
1 TABLESPOON GRAVY

AND IF ITS BEEF, I DESERT-SPON OF GRATED HORSE-RADISH

OR, IF MUTTON, I DESERT-SPON OF FINELY MINCED PICKLES

GREASE SOME SMALL CUPS

PUT IN THE MIXTURE AND BAKE

MODERATE OVEN FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES

THEY ALWAYS LOOK NICE TURNED OUT, WITH THICK GRAVY ROUND THEM!

FASHION BULLETIN FROM NEW YORK



Silk, shantung organza cocktail dress has divided, rounded overskirt. (from Herbert Sordani)

So slim by day—and bustles at night

NEW YORK spring and summer shows have the same fashion accents as Paris—the ultra-slim silhouette for day-wear, the supple full for afternoon and evening.

Two colours to every costume, unusual contrasts of fabrics are featured, as in Paris. Boned bodices, puffed overskirts, numerous polka dots, crinolines, hoops and bustles in the best Edwardian tradition are all part of the evening scene. Even short, party dresses have crinolined skirts.

For daywear, necklines have risen discreetly. Day frocks are cut daringly low at the back—all are daringly low by night.

Hairstyles are feminine and flatteringly and nearly all do double duty. Vells double as bows, or hug the head; gossamer vells give a thread-in-the-clouds look, and all can be worn independently of the hats they accompany.

The Far Eastern influence is a sure summer bet. It shows in materials—cotton, Indian prints, Oriental silks, Indian saris, Indian print cotton frocks feature bare tops and scooped necks, styles inspired by saris. Linen, coolie jackets with velvet trims are worn with contrasting linen skirts.

Bench suits with tapered, calf-length trousers, are made up in red and blue. The red and blue jackets have embroidered fronts, wide elbow length sleeves and turn-back cuffs.

Vicki Silva-White

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Use Your Aces To Best Advantage

By OSWALD JACOBY

EVERYBODY knows that an ace will usually win a trick. It is not quite so well known, however, that the player who holds the ace should try to capture a high card with it. This will tend to promote the value of lesser honours in the partnership hands.

Once this principle of promotion is thoroughly understood, it is possible to go one step further. You not only try to get good value for your own aces, but you also try to make the opponents get poor value for theirs. This principle was the background of the play of today's hand.

West opened the king of diamonds, and dummy won with the ace. South saw that he would score or later have to lose two diamonds and a club. The best chance to avoid defeat consisted in making three club tricks, so that South's losing heart could be discarded on a good club.

Declarer began by cashing dummy's ace of spades, and continued by leading the next trump to the ten in his own hand. Then he could lead a low club towards dummy. It was obvious from West's bidding that the ace of clubs was

WEST (D) NORTH 22
AKJ4
A6
A7
AQJ52

EAST
86
QJ854
83
10984

SOUTH
AQ10732
109
852
KQ3

E-W vul.
West North East South
1♠ Double Pass 1♠
2♣ Pass 3♣
Pass 4♣ Pass Pass

Opening lead—4♣

In that hand, and South wanted West to get only low clubs with the ace.

WEST properly played his low club, and dummy won with the jack. A card played might have returned a club and put the king from the South hand, but this declarer was not careless. He led the jack of clubs to his own queen, and then led back his remaining low club.

This time West had to play his ace. Dummy would play low, and now nothing could stop South from making three club tricks—and the contract.

If South had sacrificed the king of clubs in order to knock out West's ace, he would have lost the trick with the queen and jack of clubs, but not with the five of clubs. By then East's ten of clubs would be promoted to winning rank.

Q.—With both sides vulnerable, you deal yourself the following cards: Spades—Q-J-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A; Hearts—A-K-J-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A; Diamonds—A-K-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A; Clubs—Q-J-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A. What do you do?

A.—Pass. The hand is not rich enough in high cards for an opening bid, and the distribution is nothing to rave about. Contrast this hand with those discussed earlier this week.

TODAY'S QUESTION
With both sides vulnerable, you deal yourself the following cards: Spades—A-K-J-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A; Hearts—A-K-J-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A; Diamonds—A-K-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A; Clubs—Q-J-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-A. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD

Across
1. This may remind you of the eldest of the three bears. (4, 5)
7. Sky light so the aisle in the Dairy Store. (6, 7)
11. Gained at a Varsity, only after a lot of hard work. (6)
12. Result of having broken rest. (4)
13. All that was left of the rent man. (1)
14. A Bachelor of Medicine usually this colour? (5)
15. An old down. Dominate. (7)
16. A pinto go most people would call this feathery. (4)
17. It could be gained by expert use of an air. (4)
18. Anger, air. Could it change for such ornaments? (8)
19. Where they stop? Could be! (1)
20. Pompous schoolmaster. (9)

Down
1. What made the Begum B.A.? (4)
2. If you do then you must expect anger. (4)
3. A well-known beauty did until she was blessed. (9)
4. See 17 across. (4)
5. After night you get the bird. (5)
6. Much sought after for precious stones. (7)
8. Found on the Kent coast. (3)
9. Just looking to make Gray nine. (4)
10. She's not supposed to shine as brightly as her sisters. (4)
11. By divorcing you ruin. (4)
12. That's the lot. (4)
13. Look what Magic, left when he quit of yesterday's puzzle. (Across)
14. A famous beauty. (4)
15. A famous beauty. (4)
16. A famous beauty. (4)
17. A famous beauty. (4)
18. A famous beauty. (4)
19. A famous beauty. (4)
20. A famous beauty. (4)

White, 8 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt-B5; threat 2. Kt-Q4 (ch). 1... R-K5; Q3; 2. Kt-Q6 (xR) (ch); 1... Kt-B6; K7; 2. R-K2 (xK) (ch).

Check Your Knowledge

- Which falls more quickly a heavy or a light object?
- What was a "scratch" wig?
- What is a heptagon?
- Name the mythological dog that has three heads.
- Define honorarium.
- What and where is the Louvre?

(Answer on Page 10)



"I said, 'It's a cold day!'"

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

A MAN who grew weary of the crowing of a cockerel by night fixed a bit of wood above its perch. When the bird raised its head to crow, it banged it against the bit of wood, and the crowing died on its lips.

To stop his cockerels crowing by day Dr Strabismus (Whom God Preserve), of Utrecht, fitted each bird with a kind of brass umbrella-shaped hat. This was suspended on delicate wires above the bird's head. When it began to crow, the wires, connected by tiny strings, pulled the muscles of its throat, set in motion a card-board lever. As the throat muscles contracted, this lever released a catch on the brass hat, which opened slowly like an umbrella, and descended over the bird's head, thus muffling the noise. When the crow was over, a spring clicked back, and the hat rose and closed of its own accord, thus freeing the bird's head.

Moving about
INTENDING visitors to next year's Festival must have been interested to read that those for whom there is no accommodation in the bomb shelters may be housed in London's military barracks; and, I suppose, in back-garden shelters in the suburbs. The troops could be moved to police stations, and the police to the never Government offices. Displaced civil servants could be billeted on householders. Any visitors left over might sleep in disused railway carriages in railway sidings, or in broken buses, lorries, kennels, hen-houses, and rabbit-hutches. Only 368 shopping days to Christmas 1951. High water at London Bridge, 8.16 a.m., 4.28 p.m. Size in collars, 17½. Watch-key number, 6476 G.

Odd occurrence
AT a concert the other night and tapped the conductor on the shoulder, while a lady was playing the violin. He said in a loud whisper, "Is it the lady who's making that noise?" "Of course not," said the conductor irritably. "It's her violin." "Thanks awfully," said the man, and left the theatre roaring with laughter.

Oh, I say, look here!
I, WHO in my time have crossed and re-crossed some forty-two thousand seven hundred and thirty-one Pyrenean passes, was particularly entranced to read in a piece of travel literature the following statement about Spain: Cut off from the rest of Europe by the Pyrenees, which have only two passes:...

YOUR BIRTHDAY... BY STELLA

THURSDAY, MAY 3

If you are born today, you have a rather complex nature, for you are a combination of contrasting characteristics. You are fond of travel and will probably want to visit the Orient on the other hand, you like the comfort of your own home. You enjoy outdoor sports, yet at the same time you are a very quiet person. You are a very popular person, and you are something of a flirt and can keep several romances going at the same time. Actually, you like to "stay friends". But you may need to be cautious for one more serious than for really to give good help and advice. You must be very sure of your own opinion or there can be disappointment in store. And a happy home life is most important to you. You have an optimistic outlook on life and you dislike grumblers. You are a very cheerful person, and you are a very popular person. You are something of a flirt and can keep several romances going at the same time. Actually, you like to "stay friends". 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A HIGHER STANDARD WAS REACHED IN THE SOFTBALL SEASON JUST CONCLUDED

Says "GRANDSTAND"

This season's softball activities, which concluded last week, were most satisfactory in that a higher standard of play was achieved and more games were played off than in previous years despite a reduction in ground allocation.

Local pitching, which has been lamentably weak after the war, seems to have picked itself up again and batting statistics compiled over the season showed that the hurlers were able to prevent astronomical batting averages from being registered.

The problem of catering to the overwhelming number of entries to the Men's divisions was solved by segregating teams into two sections and the final playoffs among the four leading teams during the last six weeks of the season provided fans with a rare treat of diamond skill.

Braves and Dragons made a clean sweep of the series and annexed the Senior and Junior titles respectively, while the Ladies' League was a runaway for the Wahos who acquired the China Mail Shield for the fourth consecutive year.

BRAVES DOMINATED
The twice champion Braves, under Charlie Figueroa's guidance, dominated the softball scene as no other team had ever done before, with an 18-game winning streak which lasted from Opening Day, until the final triumph over the aging Saints.

Sparked by a bat-happy side which included the trio of Tony Osmund, Junior Remedios and Carlos Yvanovich, the Tribe really went to town.

All the slugging in the world will not make a winning team unless the defence is solid and pitcher Chappie Remedios rates credit for shouldering the hurling assignment all by himself without wavering for a moment, but then Chappie, too, had veteran Red Pereira in the bird-cage calling the pitches.

In the middle of the season, pilot Figueroa was a worried man with the departure of Bill Yvanovich, entrenching mainstay of the Braves and after testing several possibilities, who included former Madcapper Sabu Samy, Figueroa finally settled on Pereira.

Events have since proved it was a wise choice, for although scatter-armed Pereira did occasionally hurl the horse-hide to centre-field to the delight of the bleacher wolves, he did his job well and culminated his efforts with that memorable game-winning homer against the Jaguars which cinched the playoffs for the Tribe.

PERFECT FIELDING
The fielding was almost perfect, for the minor loonies of two seasons ago, practically stopped all traffic on the base-path with a fielding display tighter than a drum.

The Jaguars, who were picked by some to break away fast and make a virtual runaway with the flag with their wealth of pitching and batting talent, did

not live up to the hopes of their fans. There was a club that gave us every reason to believe it would have no difficulty in asserting its mastery over all opposition from Opening Day onwards when they humbled the Saints, but they fell completely apart in the crucial playoffs.

Funking at the top of the Gold section, Frankie Barros' jolting jaguars had whipped them over into championship form, and if ever a manager looked set to sit back and play a winning hand, Frankie Barros was that man.

But what happened makes a sad story, for after nosing out the Saints in an extra inning game, they succumbed to the Braves twice.

TEAM OF VETERANS
The Saints fielded their reliable team of veterans and although they started slowly, once they hit the stride they were able to roar down the stretch, ending with South China in a tie for second place in the Gold section.

After eking out a narrow win in a final decisive game, the Saints were all set to snatch the pennant, but their hopes received a rude shock for they suddenly found themselves without their battery of Jimmy Criss and Dick Perry of the USS Everett who were suddenly called away from Port.

Nevertheless, the Saints put up a good fight and were always considered a threat, but too many one-run losses proved their downfall.

The batting was still good, for a couple of runs now and then, but the aging outfit found themselves much slower than their youthful opponents allied.

NO PUSHOVER
The Canadians, who were the fourth team to qualify, were considered pushovers, but fans soon found out that they could be really hard to push over, particularly in both of their games against the champion Braves in which the losses could be pinned down to a single inopportune error.

Hurler Kassa Nazario was his former self with his effective pitching while the sluggers got in the groove too late in the series, to see flag hopes fade with every game.

MVP BALLOT CLOSED
The MVP balloting has been closed and the votes will be counted today. In the Men's divisions, Harry Louie stands out as the only likely choice, but in the seniors, opinions seem to differ. Based on the season's performance, your scribe has narrowed down his selection to four, and they are Raymond Tsao and Y. S. Liang of the Pandas, Junior Remedios of the Braves and Vic Pedruco of the Jaguars. I may be wrong, but the final count will tell.

INTER-HONG
Rain has once more interrupted the Inter-Hong League in the final stages, but a last effort will be made to complete the fixtures before the Annual Dance which will take place this Saturday.

At the moment, four teams stand a possible chance to cop the San Miguel Shield with China Light, Gibbs, Sanvao and Jardines deadlocked at three losses each.

The games today and tomorrow should sort out the middle, and it is necessary a final playoff will take place on Saturday. This is how they stand up to present.

WINNERS		LOSERS	
China Light	7	Gibbs	3
Stanvac	6	Low	3
Low	4	Union Insurance	4
Jardines	3	NHB	4
Shan	4	Shan	4
Calter	5	Calter	5

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EX-COMMANDO
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Rediffusion	5	5	500
NTS	10	10	091
Mercantile Bank	0	11	000
SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK			
Today			
5.45 p.m.	Calter v. Shell		
Gibbs v. Jardines			
Tomorrow			
5.45 p.m.	China Light v. Socony		
Jardines v. NHB			

The Welsh Cap Spotlight Keeps Shining On Three Young Arsenal Reserves

Says DAVID JACK

Three Arsenal reserves are continually under the Welsh international spotlight—Ray Daniel (22), goalkeeper Jack Kelsey (21), and wing-half David Bowen (22). No, I'm not kidding. Welsh FA secretary, Herbert Powell, says "I have had consistently good reports about Bowen and Kelsey, and if Daniel plays as he's playing now, we won't need to look any farther for a centre-half for the next 10 years."

I wonder what Northampton think about Bowen's progress? His case is similar to that of Bill Smith, now with Birmingham.

Neither was thought good enough for regular first team duty at the County Ground, yet Smith has been picked to tour Australia, and Bowen's chances of a cap look very bright.

Wales may not be represented in Great Britain's 1952 Olympic Games Soccer XI, the Welsh secretary tells me. "Although we were told we would make a profit in 1948, the London Olympics cost us £1,000, and this time, with additional travelling expenses, the Welsh FA will have to be very careful before deciding to compete."

The "Wembley-happy" Football Association, incidentally, went well out of amateur and youth matches, yet Wales are £1,000 in the red on this season's matches while Scotland and Ireland are also struggling.

Do away with conscription? "Not likely," say Army Soccer chiefs, whose National Service XI is as strong as most Second

Division teams. Latest recruit from the First Division is Everton's promising left-back Rankin.

NOT CREASED

If medals were awarded for the fittest athletes in England, county cricketers might be well down the list—but things are different in Northamptonshire. Jack Jennings, who looks after the training of Northants players, tells me "We've had the last out daily doing roadwork and lopping. We should be the fittest county in the field this summer."

Former world champion weight-lifter Bill Pullum, unlike Australia, the Davis Cup holders, considers it an honour to be asked to show his collection of trophies, valued at £2,500, at the Festival of Britain National Sporting Trophies Exhibition. His medals will be collected, but Bill will himself deliver a gold and silver statuette. "That little job is too precious to trust to anyone else," says Bill. It's worth £500.

British Golf May Lose Max Faulkner To Australia

Says ARCHIE QUICK

British golf is likely to be the poorer if colourful Max Faulkner continues to think in terms of emigration to Australia. Recently back from Calcutta, Singapore and a tour of the Commonwealth, he was much impressed by the conditions there for golf professionals, and he has his eye on the forthcoming vacancy at the rich Royal Sydney Club.

The professional there, 70-year-old Syd Poppewell, intends to retire shortly, and Max, who is at present unattached, will apply for the post. The club has 3,500 members, and Faulkner thinks he should earn that same figure in sterling yearly. "Australia is becoming golf crazy," he says, "and I want to be in on the floodtide."

Faulkner started the professional season in England well, for he had opening rounds of 71 and 70 in the Moor Park Tournament, and he attributed his success to an altered stance for his iron play and a changed putting style.

On the greens he has reverted to his old "Leo" Digby style; hunched back and arms akimbo. It looks cramped, but he says it suits him. He does not use his wrists for putting, but pushes the ball with his arms set stiffly. As for his iron he has copied the American Klaya Mangkai, and when he hits his second and third shots, to the greens his feet are almost together instead of straddled in the popular manner.

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burned is Dal Rees, also back only two days when he went out to play in a blistering cold wind at Moor Park.

He too did well despite the conditions, and the vovs that this is his year to win the Open Championship for the first time.

His will-be-a storn misson for through the American challenge (and likely to be as strong as usual) there is to be a wholesale invasion from the Continent. Vincenzo is coming again from the Argentine—and remember in the last three years he has finished second, second and third.

South Africa's incomparable Bobby Locke will be here to defend his title, and Australia makes a three-pronged challenge with our old friend Norman Vane (who and two new comers, and Springs, and Newcombe, both of whom played their opening tournament at Moor Park, and the places where the British change their partners.

NEVER MIND CROSBY



Here is Bob Hope, with actress Marilyn Maxwell, as they arrived at Southampton on the Queen Mary. Bob is to compete in the English Amateur Golf Championship. He is, at least, more at home in England than Bing was. He was born there.—Central Press Photo.

Chinese Restaurant Owner's Horse Wins 2,000 Guineas

Newmarket, May 2.

Ki Ming, owned by "Lucky Billy" Ley On, a Chinese restaurant owner in London's West End, won the Two Thousand Guineas, the first classic of the British flat racing season, today.

My Ley On, who 16 months ago struck a bet of \$22,000 to \$22 against Ki Ming for this year's Epsom Derby, won the first prize of \$14,731. The race was the richest since it was instituted in 1809, with a total value of \$17,276.

Ridden by the Australian jockey, Arthur Bresley, Ki Ming started at 100 to 8 against and beat Sir Victor Sassoon's Stokes, a 33 to 1 outsider, by one and a half lengths.

Another outsider, the 40 to 1 shot, Mr H.E. Elvin's Malkas Boy, was a further shot head away, third in a field of 27 runners.

There was a photo-finish for second place, third, placed in the field of 27. For the one-mile event was only one short of the record for the race in 1930.

Mr Ley On, who has acted in many British films, has been a racehorse owner in England for some years. Ridden by Bal-yogan out of Uster Lilly, Ki Ming is the best horse he has ever owned and to-day's race is the best he has won.

The Irishman, Mr. Michael Beary, who is in his first season as a trainer, won most of the big races as a jockey but in his long career he never won the Two Thousand Guineas.

Bresley, who won his first classic since coming to England last year, took Ki Ming to the front about a furlong from home and never looked like being caught.

CHINESE DOUBLE

There was very little betting on the race, according to one London bookmaker, but some punters have coupled Ki Ming with Mr Harry Blagrove's Chinese Cracker in the One Thousand Guineas, which will be run on Friday.

The French challenger, M. Marcel Bousquet's Dantur, a 9

to 1 favourite, held a good position early on but faded later and did not finish in the first 12.

His failure spoilt M. Bousquet's run of classic successes in England, which included the Derby, the Oaks and the St Leger last season.

The winner's time was 1 min. 42 sec., well outside the record of 1 min. 38-4/5 sec. by MY Babu in 1948.

After two furlongs Ki Ming was prominent with Turk's Relevance, Turco the Second, Malkas Boy, Calumet Farm and Dantur. Approaching the half-way mark Malkas Boy moved up and shortly afterwards went ahead of Ki Ming, Dantur and Calumet Farm.

He was closely pressed by Ki Ming at the bushes, where the latter took up the running and stayed on strongly to win by one and a half lengths.

Stokes and Malkas Boy were separated by a short head in a photo-finish. Farnfield Street was fourth, Sun Compass fifth, Turco II sixth, Arctic Prince seventh, Royal Serenade eighth, Thian ninth and Gayowen 10th.

Grey Sovereign, the only grey in the race, was last. Michael Beary said that Ki Ming's next race would be the Derby.

The full betting was: 9 to 2 Dantur, 7 to 1 Turco II, 10 to 8 Ki Ming and Sun Compass, 100 to 7 Hampden Forest and Tilton, 18 to 1 Royal Serenade, 20 to 1 North Carolina, Manhattan and Grey Sovereign, 22

to 1 Prince Douilly, 25 to 1 Paradise Street and King Cardinal, 33 to 1 Lord of Verona and Stokes, 40 to 1 Malkas Boy, El Ayushy and Arctic Prince, 50 to 1 the others.—Reuter.

BRITISH HARDCOURTS TOURNEY

Bournemouth, May 2. Jaroslav Drobný of Egypt, holder of the Men's Singles in the British Hardcourts Championships, reached the semi-final of the 1951 tournament on Wednesday by defeating 60-year-old Frenchman Henri Cochet in straight sets, 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.

Between showers which held up play, Drobný scored many winners with cleverly disguised drop shots. Cochet was often caught out of position.

The French veteran, who had a marathon 2-hours-40-minutes match against youthful "Chunky" Noakes of South Africa on Tuesday, was obviously tired. His strokes lacked snap and accuracy.

Felicesimo Ampon of the Philippines and South Africa's Eric Sturges also moved into the semi-finals. Ampon defeated Vladimir Cernik, one-time Davis Cup partner of Drobný before they exiled themselves from Czechoslovakia.

Ampon, by his footwork and artistic stroke, play, took two sets at 6-3, 7-5 before Cernik quit the tournament because he said he was too tired after playing two singles and a doubles on Tuesday.

Sturges had to go to five sets before eliminating respected Geoff Palsh, British Davis Cupper, 6-2, 6-4, 4-6, 5-7, 6-2.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Three American girls sailed into the quarterfinals of the women's event.

Hard-hitting Doris Hart of Jacksonville, Florida, outplayed the little Chinese girl, Gem Hoo-hing, to win 6-2, 6-2.

Shirley Fry of Akron, Ohio, defeated Audrey Layfield, 6-2, 6-1, and Beverly Baker of Santa Monica, Cal., defeated Georgie Woodgate, who works in a London hospital, 7-5, 7-5, after trailing, 1-4, in the second set.

Syd Levy, 28-year-old South African, reached the semi-final of the Men's Singles, defeating Tony Mottram, British Number One, 6-1, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0.—Associated Press.

MIXED DOUBLES

Felicesimo Ampon (Philippines) and Miss Shirley Fry (United States) won their second round match in the Mixed Doubles of the British Hardcourt Lawn Tennis Championships here today.

They beat J. C. McMorris (France) and Miss Lorna Cornell, the British junior champion, 6-1, 7-5.—Reuter.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Ong Chew-bee and Felicesimo Ampon, from Malaya and the Philippines respectively, were eliminated from the Men's Doubles in the British Hardcourt Championships here today when in third round matches Vladimir Cernik and Jaroslav Drobný (Egypt) beat Ong and D. A. Sammis (South African coloured champion) 6-3, 6-1, 6-2, while Davis Lurie (South Africa) and A. G. Roberts (England) beat Ampon and D. W. Butler (England) 6-1, 1-6, 6-4, 7-5.—Reuter.

Eddie Thomas May Meet Humez In World Title Fight

London, May 2.

Eddie Thomas, the British, European and Empire Welterweight Champion, may fight Charles Humez, of France, for what the European authorities may regard as a world boxing title fight.

This follows a change of plans in America, where Thomas was supposed to be meeting the winner of the Johnny Bratton versus Kid Gavilan fight for the championship.

Mr Jack Solomons, who returned from Paris today, said that a cable from Harry Markson, of Madison Square Garden, had been sent to Lew Burston giving plans for Billy Graham, an American welterweight, to fight Bratton or Gavilan for the title.

Sam Burns, the manager of Thomas, said that this was definitely sidetracking Thomas and, as his party was all set to visit America in June, he is taking the matter up with the British Board of Control.

DEFINITE LINEUP

Mr Solomons produced a letter from the National Boxing Association's Championship Committee chairman in which Thomas was definitely lined up for the championship.

"Now they have decided to run the championship on their own," he said, "and I have advised Mr Burns to put in Thomas with Humez and let us call it for the world championship."

"After all Thomas has licked Graham and, as the European champion, he should have a prior claim."

"Such a move would almost repeat the heavyweight position, where, according to European critics, Lee Savold is the champion following his win over Bruce Woodcock, whereas the Americans claim Ezzard Charles.—Reuter.

SUGAR'S NEXT

Paris, May 2. World middleweight Boxing Champion Ray "Sugar" Robinson will fight French Middleweight Champion Kid Marcel on May 18 or May 20 in a 10-round, non-title bout at the Falisades sports arena here.

It will be his first fight on his new tour of Europe.

Robinson's manager, George Gainsford, said Wednesday that Robinson's entire purse will go to the French anti-cancer fund and to the "Rhine et Danube"—a war veterans' benefit.

Gainsford said he is trying to get the International Boxing Club of New York to agree to Robinson fighting Laurent Deschamps of France for the world title here.

He said they had received no official communication regarding reports that Jake La Motta was renouncing his right to try to regain the title he lost to Robinson.

"La Motta has reserved this right until September, 1951, and we have no reason to think he will renounce it," Gainsford said.—Associated Press.



Based on available statistics it is estimated that in Hongkong the death rate from tuberculosis per 100,000 is 163.

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Deeply surprised Faulkner has been taking muscle strengthening exercises in a West End gymnasium, and there cannot be a finer sight than this of ex-commandos, English, sur-

burned is Dal Rees, also back only two days when he went out to play in a blistering cold wind at Moor Park.

He too did well despite the conditions, and the vovs that this is his year to win the Open Championship for the first time.

His will-be-a storn misson for through the American challenge (and likely to be as strong as usual) there is to be a wholesale invasion from the Continent.

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"BENRUACHAN"	Liverpool, Glasgow, London & Antwerp	12th June
"BENROCH"	Kobe & Yokohama	11th June
"BENATTOW"	London, Hamburg & Antwerp	27th June
"BENCLEUCH"	Liverpool, Dublin, Rotterdam, Hull & Middlesbrough	7th July
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MP's Row Over Army's New Rifle

London, May 2.

Britain's decision to adopt a
280in. light self-loading rifle
for her Armed Forces in place
of the .303 will mean she will
be using one of different calibre
from the rest of the Atlantic
Powers, said reports from
Ottawa last night.

Mr. Shinwell, the Defence
Minister, was hotly questioned
by Mr. Churchill on this point
in the Commons when he an-
nounced that the .303 Short
Lee-Enfield, used by the Army
for the past 50 years, was to
make way for the .280, which
more than doubles the soldier's
maximum rate of fire.

The Ottawa reports say that
efforts to agree on a standard
weapon for Canada, Britain,
France, and the United States
broke down when Britain
decided "to sacrifice tactical ad-
vantage in favour of economies."
Canada is now expected to
adopt the American .30in.
Garand automatic rifle.

Mr. Shinwell said there had
been full consultations with the
other North Atlantic Powers.
The Standing Group—which
is directly responsible to the
Ministers of Defence of the 12
countries—had formally ap-
proved the rifle as "militarily
acceptable."

"But," said Mr. Shinwell, "I
have no information as to
whether any other North Atlan-
tic country has yet decided to
follow our example."

Mr. Churchill said what
mattered was the supply of
ammunition, and the rate at
which it could be supplied to
the infantryman. "Will you be
careful," he asked, "not to
waste money and effort on
trying to create a new pattern
of rifle?"

Mr. Shinwell said the .280
was "perhaps the best rifle
that has yet been produced."
Military chiefs had told him
it was a first-class weapon.

Mr. Churchill asked him to be
"quite sure" that the rifle had
a common calibre as used by
other Atlantic Powers.
As Mr. Shinwell could not
assure him the other countries
would follow Britain's example,

Chose Another Bride

Trumann, Arkansas, May 2.

Mr. Leonard Bunch, the cable-
splicer who asked Congress to
permit a Japanese girl to come
to America to marry him—his
matrimonial desires, it is mar-
ried, "but the bride is not Izumi
Makiyama, the 24-year old
Japanese doctor whom Mr.
Bunch met while serving with
the Army in Japan."

The Rev. Tom Gore of Tru-
mann said he married Mr. Bunch
and Miss Mary Birchfield, 24,
who lives in the ex-G.I.'s home-
town at Nettleton, Arkansas, last
Friday night.

Mr. Bunch, who returned from
a tour of duty in Japan last
December, had induced Repre-
sentative E. C. Bathings to in-
stitute a bill which would have
allowed Miss Makiyama's en-
trance to the U.S. so she could
become Mrs. Bunch.

Representative Gathings' bill
had been approved by the
House of Representatives and
sent to the Senate less than
three weeks ago.

Mr. Bunch said today that he
had no comment.—Associated
Press.

INDIA AID BILL POSTPONED

Washington, May 2.

The United States House of
Representatives has postponed
until next week consideration
of the grain for India Bill.
The Speaker, Mr. Sam Ray-
burn (Democrat, Texas) told
reporters that the measure,
which was due to be debated
today, had been put aside to
allow the House to dispose first
of pending appropriation bills.
—Reuter.

Demand For Copra

New York, May 2.

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in copra at \$235 per short ton,
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Press.

Mr. Churchill urged him to see
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Britain Leads World In Ship Construction

London, May 2.
The non-Communist nations are building 1,217 merchant ships in a stepped-up bid to reduce the world shipping shortage.

Lloyd's Register of Shipping, the clearing house for facts and figures on shipping west of the Iron Curtain, reported on Wednesday that 5,097,084 tons gross, or 1,217 ships were under construction.

The report for the first quarter of the year shows an increase of 278,511 tons, or 48 ships, over the last three months of 1950.

Britain, which suffered the biggest wartime shipping loss, led the field during the first quarter of this year, with 40.7 per cent of bottoms under construction. France was placed second, with 9.5 per cent, and Japan third, with 9.4 per cent. Italy accounted for 6.3, Sweden 5.9, and Holland 5.8 per cent.

The United States merchant reserve fleet, which experts say is difficult to run on ordinary commercial terms, accounted for only 5.3 per cent of construction, all on the West Coast.

BRITAIN AHEAD
British Commonwealth countries, apart from Britain, chalked up a total of 2.3 per cent. Norway, Denmark and Spain built about two per cent among other countries listed.

Countries making the largest additions to their own fleets are Britain, Norway and France, the Lloyd's report said. The largest amount of new tonnage to be imported will go to Norway, Argentina and France.

Motorships under construction outnumbered steamers, although the largest vessel being built is a steamer of 30,000 tons, going up in a United States yard. Motorships total 904, or 3,612, 682 tons, and 289 steamers are being built, a total of 1,482, 347 tons.

Despite new building shipbuilding executives here say, the balance between freight to be carried, and available bottoms will remain serious for some time.—United Press.

Pepper Market

New York, May 2.
The lack of grinder buying demand held business in black pepper down to a minimum. Dealers said some sellers temporarily shaded prices but then withdrew when offerings failed to attract any interest. The market was quoted at between \$1.40-1.50 a pound. Bombay pepper was reported at around \$1.05-1.10 a pound, including cost and freight.—United Press.

Sterling Area Discussions With Japan

London, May 2.
An assistant chief cashier of the Bank of England, Mr. G. B. Loyne, left by air for Tokyo on Wednesday to negotiate with Occupation authorities on payments between Japan and the sterling area.

The discussions will centre on a proposed revision of a May, 1948, agreement which gave Japan the right to convert into dollars any surplus sterling she earned trading with the sterling area.

A Bank spokesman who announced Mr. Loyne's trip declined comment on details of the proposed revision.—Associated Press.

UK Methods Better

Washington, May 2.
British machinery and methods are better, a group of visiting English hosiery and knitwear producers said, but American management is more efficient.

The group of 18 managers, workers and technicians has visited 35 American mills under the ECA programme. They admitted United States mills outproduce British mills, but said their technical knowledge, styling and product quality, particularly in woolen production, outclass American manufacture.—Associated Press.

Seeds And Oils

New York, May 2.
Prices in the seeds and oils market here closed today with the following exceptions:—
Custor Seed, per 100 lb., F.O.B. Brazil, 2.80.—
United Press.

Wool Prices Easing

Melbourne, May 2.
All wools except Merino and fine combed continued to ease at Melbourne sales today. Fine medium and strong crossbreds showed further declines—of up to 10 per cent.—Associated Press.

DEMAND FOR RAIL ISSUES

New York, May 2.
A sustained demand for railroad issues today backed up an otherwise ragged stock market. Action of the rails was much better than any other major group, and gains among the leaders went beyond \$2 a share.

Elsewhere in the list, the plus signs in some instances hit the \$3 mark, but there were also minus signs as large as \$2 in prominent stocks. Industrials on average are around their best levels of the year. Rails have lagged considerably before the recent recovery of the market as a whole.

There are many traders who refused to believe this market is really a healthy bull movement until the railroad issues join the advance.

For what reason today's response of the carriers was most gratifying to the bullish element in Wall Street. Individual issues head the spotlight, however, in their reaction to corporate news.

Lockheed Aircraft was the day's most active issue, up 1 1/4 at 49 1/2. Other gainers included Santa Fe, Chicago Great Western, Pepsi-Cola, Colorado Fuel and Iron, Wright Aero-nautical, Baltimore and Ohio, Rexall Drug and Graham Paige.

Transfers were 1,900,000. Dow Jones averages:
65 Stocks 94.80
20 Industrials 201.27
15 Rails 83.84
10 Utilities 42.50
—Associated Press.

Outflow Of US Gold Slowing

Washington, May 2.
The outflow of gold from the U.S. slowed to a \$26,000,000 trickle last month after rising to a near flood of \$876,500,000 in the first three months of this year, the Treasury reported today.

The first-quarter 1951 outpouring was equal to more than half the 1950 total of \$1,725,300,000.

Indications are that the gold outflow has come to a halt. Britain was the heaviest purchaser of U.S. gold in the first quarter of 1951, taking \$400,000,000, the report showed. That compared with \$1,020,000 British purchases during 1950.

Next was Mexico, taking \$124,300,000. Mexico had purchased only \$118,200,000 in all of last year.—Associated Press.

Mixed Trade In Grains

Chicago, May 2.
Grains acted fairly well today. One short but severe selling wave. Closing prices were mixed. Wheat closed 1/2 lower to 1/4 higher.

May 240-1/4 to 1/2
June 241-1/4 to 1/2
July 242-1/4 to 1/2
Corn 1/2 lower to 1-3/4 higher.

Rye (old style): unchanged to one cent higher.
Soybeans: unchanged to two cents higher.—Associated Press.

BELGIUM AGREES ON GUARANTEE

Washington, May 2.
The Economic Co-operation Administration announced today that Belgium has agreed to guarantee the replacement of the Greek ECA fund of \$7,000,000 attached by a Belgian High Court order recently.

Marshall Aid to Belgium was suspended last month when the Court attached the funds for a 25-year-old debt allegedly owed by the Greek Government to a private Belgian company. This suspension was lifted today.—Reuter.

TEXTILE MARKET EASIER

New York, May 2.
The cotton textile market displayed an easier tone in the print cloth division, with sales accounting for most of the activity. The popular 80-square print cloth was sold in direct hand for quick delivery at 2 1/2 cents a yard.

The wool goods market was dull. Rayon goods were quiet.—Associated Press.

UNITED KINGDOM'S NATIONAL INCOME STILL EXPANDING

(By JOHN KINGSLEY)

The White Paper on the National Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom gives a statistical picture of the U.K. in 1950, the year when economic recovery from the effects of war may be said to have been completed, and when the first shocks of rearmament began to be felt.

Broadly speaking, the figures for 1950 present a picture of Britain which had settled into the post-war pattern of life. Some of the main trends since the war had been confirmed. The gross national product—the money value of all work carried on in Britain, including income earned from abroad, but excluding the value of imports—continued to expand.

In 1950 it was estimated to total £11,970 millions. That represented an increase of 4 1/2 per cent during 1950, compared with an increase of 7 1/2 per cent in 1949. Here it must be emphasized that these figures express money values, and are therefore misleading in terms of quantities. The increase in industrial production during 1950 was eight per cent.

Some of the other post-war trends showed signs of becoming stable features of the economy of 1950's. The share-out of the national income in 1950 was almost the same as in 1949. Wages took 40 per cent, salaries 22 1/2 per cent, company profits 15 per cent, small traders 7 1/2 per cent, rent 4 1/2 per cent, with the remaining 10 1/2 per cent going to forces' pay, farmers' incomes and professional earnings. This emphasises the predominant part that wage earners have played in the economy since the war.

Wages were still making the strongest claim on any increase in national resources. The U.K. wages bill in 1950 increased by £240 million, or 5 1/2 per cent, compared with a three per cent increase in profits distributed as dividends (and a 15 per cent increase in undistributed profits retained to finance business and production).

The share taken by wages is increased by the effect of taxation, which is designed to take more from the well-to-do than from the lower wage groups, and more from unearned incomes than from earned incomes. Out of every £100 of spendable income left after tax, £47 went in wages, compared with £37 in 1938; £25 went in salaries; £3 for forces' pay; and £25 for profits, rent and interest, compared with £34 in 1938.

LARGER SLICE
A much larger slice of personal incomes is nowadays taken in taxes than before the war. In 1950 it was 27 per cent, compared with 28 per cent in 1949, and 19 per cent in 1938. This has also involved a change-over in taxation policy. Just over half of total taxation (53 per cent) is taken by direct taxes on incomes and profits. The remaining 47 per cent is collected by indirect taxes such as customs duties, purchase tax, and duties on drink and tobacco. In 1938, 57 per cent of taxation was taken from indirect taxes and only 43 per cent from the direct taxation of incomes and profits.

Conservative Governments used graded taxes on incomes to ensure that those who could best afford it bore the brunt of heavy taxation. The Labour Government has developed this policy on the principle of the redistribution of income. The effect of a policy which has been operated for more than a generation has been to reduce the share of the national income held by the rich, and to increase the share of the middle income groups. In 1949—the last year for which figures are so far available—there were 13,000,000 people with incomes of more than £250 a year, more than four times as many as in 1938, when only 3,000,000 had incomes of more than £250.

The number of incomes of more than £2,000 a year has nearly doubled since 1938, from 124,000 to 230,000, but the share taken by this upper income group after tax has fallen from eight per cent in 1938 to six per cent in 1949.

SIGNIFICANT TREND
The pattern of spending in 1950 suggested that for many people the standard of living was enough to allow some increased indulgence in luxuries. There was an increase of one-third in spending on private motorcars, due, no doubt, to the end of petrol rationing in the spring. People spent more on beer, wine and spirits, cigarettes and the cinema. Expenditure on all these things had shown a small decline in 1949.

The increased expenditure on drink and tobacco was a significant post-war trend. For rather less alcohol and only a little more tobacco than in 1938 people spent 3s. 3d. in 1950 (10 per cent) compared with 2s. in the £ (10 per cent) in 1938. This was a great revenue earner for the Treasury in 1950 collected £4,000 million in taxes on tobacco and drink, about one-quarter of the total revenue.

About three per cent more food was eaten in 1950 than in 1949, and people bought more furniture, more clothing, more household goods, more books and magazines. All in all, there was an increase in the standard of living, measured by the quantity of things bought of about three per cent, in spite of an increase in prices during the year averaging about 2 1/2 per cent.

So, before Korea and rearmament were fully felt, there was an encouraging picture of economic recovery completed, with the U.K. showing a substantial annual improvement in the standard of living.

America's Promise To UK

British Industry To Get Support

London, May 2.

The American Director of Defence Mobilisation, Mr. Charles Wilson, said here tonight that the United States recognised that a proportion of her resources must be devoted to sustaining the strength of her allies.

"We have no desire to see the largest industrial mechanism in Western Europe—that of the United Kingdom—not fully employed for want of raw materials," he told a news conference.

Mr. Wilson disclosed that in spite of domestic shortages, defence order priorities were granted a month ago for over 4,500 machine-tools required for the British defence programme.

He anticipated that similar priorities would be issued for the remaining 2,000 machine-tools on order within the next week or 10 days.

Mr. Wilson has met the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Gaiskill, the Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, and other Government leaders during his two-day visit here.

In the field of ferrous and non-ferrous metals, Mr. Wilson declared, "We are going to do our utmost to see that you get more."

He made clear that the British Ministers had raised the problem of re-allocation of scarce raw materials if the British arms programme was to be fulfilled.

Mr. Wilson said in reply to a question that possible repercussions of Persia's decision to nationalise the oil industry had not been touched on.—Reuter.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

Trading on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning was somewhat livelier, the volume of business amounting to \$314,917. The morning's transactions and noon closing prices:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
2K Bank	100	10 @ 1955	1955
East Asia	102	10 @ 1353	1353
INSURANCES			
Union	740	100 @ 750	750
5 @ 750			
50 @ 1747			
50 @ 745			
HK Fico	133		
SHIPPING			
Asia Nav.	85c		
DOCKS, ETC.			
N. P. Wharf	74	200 @ 74	74
Dock	13 1/2		
Wharf	10 1/2		
LAND, ETC.			
HK Land	3 1/4		
Tram	11.30 11.70 3000 @ 11 1/2		
C. Light (O)	0.20	3334 @ 17 1/2	
C. Light (N)	0.19	300 @ 5.80	
C. Light (S)	0.18	300 @ 5.80	
Electric	23 23 1/2	680 @ 23	
Telephone	10.10		
Utilities	9.20		
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	10 1/4		
Stores, ETC.			
Dairy	11.75 12 1/4	350 @ 12	
Watson	17 1/2	1000 @ 17 1/2	
COTTONS			
Ewo	2.00		

The Rubber Markets

London, May 2.
Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber	in cents per lb.
June/September	33 1/4-34
July/October	33 1/4-33 1/2
October/December	32 1/4-33
January/March	31 1/4-32

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, May 2.
Prices of tin closed here today at the end of the official morning as follows:—
Spot tin, buyers 1.145
Spot tin, sellers 1.150
Business done at 1.145-1.150
Three-months tin, buyers 1.130
Three-months tin, sellers 1.135
Business done at 1.130-1.140
Settlement 1.140
—United Press.

Malayan tin prices added today, many spread among producers that the Government would use part of their exports income to help inflation. The brought \$3500 per picul, down \$311 from Tuesday.—Associated Press.

NY Cotton Price Again Declines

New York, May 2.
Cotton prices steadied after a weak start but still closed in lower ground for the fourth day in a row. Open contracts at the start of business totalled 67,500 bales. The weather and crop news was again on the favourable side.

The market opened up 5 to 10 points with far-off October showing the widest loss. Thereafter it seasawed within a 22-point range. May closed 7 points higher, while other positions were off 18 points.

Prices closed as follows:—
Spot 44.91
May 45.00
July 45.00
October 39.45
December 38.22
March (1952) 38.22
May 38.04
July 38.22
October 36.15 bid
—United Press.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

Spot	Closing rate
May 2	45.00
May	45.25 bid
July	45.00
October	39.45-39.50
December	38.25
March (1952)	38.25
May	38.04 bid
July	38.25 bid
October	36.15 bid
	—United Press.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, May 2.
Domestic sugar futures No. Six closed two to three higher. May closed 1/2 higher, 5.00 bid. September closed 1/2 higher, 5.70 bid. November closed 1/2 higher, 6.01.

Domestic sugar futures No. Five closed quiet, no sales.

World sugar futures No. Four closed to 10 higher. July closed 0.10 bid. September closed 0.10 bid. March closed 0.10 nominal.

Raw sugar spot: 0.10 nominal.—Associated Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:	
Starting note (per £)	15.70
U.S. dollars (per \$1)	0.1225
Indonesian guilders (per 100)	3.50
Siam (per 100)	25.70
Singapore (per 100)	1.75
700 piastres (per 100)	14.30

Japanese Bonds

London, May 2.	
Japanese bonds	
4 1/2 (4s. of 1950)	41-1/2
4 1/2 (4s. of 1951)	40-1/2
4 1/2 (4s. of 1952)	39-1/2
4 1/2 (4s. of 1953)	38-1/2
Consols	60-1/2
	—United Press.

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ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

SINGAPORE JAVA	PORT AND	MACASSAR	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"TITJALENGKA"	In Port			3rd May
"TASMAN"	5th May			late May
"TIVANGI"	13th May			17th May
"VAN HEUTSZ"	20th May			

MANILA, EAST & SOUTH AMERICA	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"TEGELBERG"		17th May
"TJMENTENG"	11th May	
"TJIKAMPER"	19th May	
"RUYS"	15th May	Early July

JAPAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"TASMAN"	late May	9th May
"TEGELBERG"	15th May	21st May
"TJIKAMPER"		21st May
"VAN HEUTSZ"	Early July	21st May

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"LANGLESCOT"		20th May
"ARENSKERK"	18th May	Mid. June

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"LANGLESCOT"	18th May	24th May
"ARENSKERK"	Mid. June	

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No baggage will be accepted for registration after this time.



Mr Griffiths Gives Assurances To HK BIF Delegation

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

US Seeks Embargo Decision

Lake Success, May 2.
The US will call on Thursday for a world-wide embargo on Red China to stop shipment of supplies for making atomic weapons and on all other war materials, informed quarters said on Wednesday night.

The US ideas will be put up in a secret meeting of the UN Committee on Additional Collective Measures, which is the technical name of the group studying punishments against Communist China.

Action would come in the form of a recommendation by the General Assembly to all UN members, it was said. The US already has clamped severe restrictions on shipments to Red China.

REDS BUILD ARMED JUNKS

To strengthen the defence of South China, the Chinese Communist authorities have placed orders with shipyards in Canton and Yulin for the construction of 1,000 sailing junks, says a Chinese press report.

The report adds that these junks, after being built, will be equipped with arms in the Whampoa Dockyard.

It is said that 40 of these armed-junks which were completed recently, have been placed on patrol duty along the Kwangtung coast.

London, May 2.
Mr James Griffiths, Secretary of State for the Colonies, today re-affirmed Government's intention of discharging their responsibility in Hongkong both as regards defence and welfare of the population. He was speaking as guest of honour at a luncheon for the 120 BIF visitors from Hongkong by British industrialists at the Savoy Hotel.

The common theme which ran through all today's speeches was the problem of raw material shortages. Commenting on Hongkong's trade figures, Mr Griffiths said, "I know there are difficulties now over raw materials for some of your industries and that it will call on the skill and energy of the business community to surmount them. I would like to assure you, as representatives of that community, that we, in this country, realise your difficulties which we, of course, are also meeting in this country."

"We realise your essential needs for raw materials," he went on. "And we are doing our very best to assist you to obtain them. I hope your own efforts to secure chemicals and metals and other raw materials and consumer goods in this country will be successful."

Mr Griffiths paid tribute to Hongkong's achievement in social and educational fields and in the midst of applause said, "Despite the unsettled conditions in the Far East I am glad to note that Hongkong sets an example of courage and commonsense in a difficult period and I wish to repeat the assurances that have been made before that the Government have every intention of discharging their responsibilities in Hongkong both as regards defence and welfare of the population."

THREE-FOLD MISSION

Mr U Tat Chee, leader of the Hongkong delegation, also referred to the problem of raw material shortages when he replied to the toast to the delegation. He said their mission this year had three main purposes: "1. To obtain raw materials at present denied to us not only because of physical shortages but also by such acts as the American ban on exports to the Chinese."

"2. To obtain consumer goods by which we can continue to meet the needs of Southeast Asia and 3. to show the world, through the British Industries

Fair, that Hongkong can use raw materials to good advantage and provide a great selling organisation for products of other countries."

He believed that when other people came to understand the truth about Hongkong's position in the Far East they would lift the artificial barriers to normal trading.

UNEMPLOYMENT THREAT
Where there is the understanding and desire to help we are sure that even raw materials in short supply can be made available in larger quantities," he said. "I appeal to you to remember the needs of our 1,700 factories and our great merchant houses. Unemployment must be avoided for obvious reasons and I believe all of us here today have a major part to play in keeping the Colony alive."

"Family difficulties extend to each member and as a wise family shares its resources at such a time so do we believe that Hongkong will receive its fair share," Mr U concluded.

A toast to the Hongkong BIF delegation was proposed by Mr Clifford J. Harrison, Marketing Director of Horlicks Ltd. The Chairman, Mr Noel Newsome of Messrs Harry Ferguson Ltd. proposed a toast to the Colonial Secretary.

Mr Griffiths left the luncheon early after explaining that the colonial question time in the House of Commons and that a large number of questions he was called upon to answer each week was a welcome evidence that MPs of all parties were taking a lively interest in colonial affairs.

One hundred large British arms were represented at today's luncheon which was arranged by Mr F.C. Millington of China Press Ltd.

Chinese Cadets For Russia

According to a Chinese press report, Chinese Communist naval cadets who have just completed their training at the Naval Academy in Yulin, Hainan Island, arrived in Canton yesterday, en route to Vladivostok, where they will join a Russian submarine.

Upon completion of their training in Russia, these cadets will return to China and they will be given command of the submarine fleet.

Manoeuvres In Kwangtung

Chinese Communist troops garriooned in Wakhow, Hai Fong and Luk Fong, held three-day manoeuvres, starting April 30, says a Chinese press report.

The report adds that the Military authorities suspended the issuance of exit permits to people in these counties during the manoeuvres to prevent leakage of military secrets.

Marshall Aid Suspended

Washington, May 2.
Suspension of Marshall Aid—both grants and loans—to Ireland was officially announced here today.

The announcement said that the step was taken in agreement with the Irish Government because of Ireland's improved economic position.

Mr Attlee Leaves Hospital



Mr Attlee is pictured here as he says goodbye to Sister E. M. Downer at St Mary's Hospital, London, as he leaves the hospital after five weeks' treatment for a duodenal ulcer. Behind him is his wife, who drove him to Chequers, his country residence, for the weekend.—AP Picture.

Village Robbery Recalled At Criminal Sessions

A robbery which occurred in the Li Yuk Village, Shamshuipo, on the night of February 18 last was recalled when two young unemployed men appeared on trial before the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning, charged with robbery with aggravation.

It is alleged by the Prosecution that the accused Tong Sang, 21, and Chu Mei, alias Chu Mei-hong, 26, together with another person, robbed the inmates of a hut in the Li Yuk Village of a number of gold and other articles and about \$22 in cash at about 11 p.m. on February 18.

Mr A. Hutton, Crown Counsel, is conducting the case for the Prosecution. Accused are not legally represented.

The Jury empanelled comprises three men and four women.

The Prosecutor said that some of the complainants in the case were having a chat in a cubicle in a hut in the Li Yuk Village at about 11 p.m. when the door to the cubicle was suddenly thrown open and three men, armed with short knives or daggers entered. One of the intruders threatened Fung Sang, one of the complainants, and relieved him of certain gold articles and \$20 in cash. Fung was then tied up with wire.

From Fung's cubicle, two of the robbers proceeded to the cubicles occupied by a woman, Ma Chiu-ying, the third complainant, who was in bed. They threatened her also and she was compelled to hand over certain gold articles and about \$2 in cash to the robbers.

Counsel said that the robbers must also have gone into the cubicle which was occupied by Leung Ngan-tai, the second complainant, as the room was later found to have been ransacked and a number of articles removed.

POLICE GIVE CHASE
Immediately after the robbers had left, Fung managed to free himself and then gave the alarm, said the Prosecutor. A mobile Police patrol happened to be in the neighbourhood on a routine search and to them Fung reported the robbery. The Police gave chase in the direction the robbers had taken.

But where the robbery had occurred, they found two daggers.

During the course of that night, said Counsel, the captured man led the Police to a hut on Tai Po Road where the two accused were arrested. On their way to the Police Station, accused Chu pointed to an undergrowth by the roadside and a third dagger was found by the Police.

The accused were identified at an identification parade held two days after the robbery. The trial is proceeding.

HMS GAMBLIA AT BAHREIN

London, May 2.
The 8,000-ton British cruiser Gambilia has arrived at the oil port of Bahrein in the Persian Gulf, it was learned in London tonight.

The Gambilia was transferred at the end of March from the Mediterranean to the East Indies Fleet, which includes ships operating in the Persian Gulf.

She was made available to Vice-Admiral G. N. Oliver, Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Fleet, "should her services be required."

The Gambilia carries a crew of 900, including 70 Royal Marines.

Western Union's Request

New York, May 2.
The Western Union Telegraph Company today asked the Federal Communication Commission for permission to increase its domestic telegraph rates to provide funds for a cost of living wage raise to its employees.

The increase in telegraph rates would be partly offset by higher wordage allowance. For the first time in 100 years, the company would depart from its historical 10-word telegram minimum.—Associated Press.

HOCKRIDGE IS REFUSED BAIL Prison Committal Pending Trial

Bail was again refused Ronald Charles Thomas Hockridge, committed yesterday for trial on a charge of possession of arms, at Central this morning.

The Magistrate, Mr J. Wicks, said that in the circumstances of this case he was satisfied that although he had jurisdiction to admit the accused to bail, he should not do so. An application before a judge would be more appropriate, he added.

Hockridge was then committed to prison pending his trial at the Criminal Sessions this month.

Decision on the application for bail made by the defence yesterday was adjourned and this morning, Mr D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Wilkinson and Crist, appearing for Hockridge, said that since the adjournment he had had opportunity to study the sections in the Magistrates' Ordinance which related to bail in committal proceedings and from his study of them he would submit that the Magistrate had undoubtedly got jurisdiction and discretion to grant bail in this case.

Mr Wright drew his Worship's attention to the relevant sections and urged his Worship to take into account the most cogent and compelling circumstances of the case in view of the fact that the Police had now not opposed the granting of bail to the accused.

RULING GIVEN
Giving his ruling, the Magistrate said:

The committing Magistrate has jurisdiction under section 97 (3) of the Magistrates' Ordinance to admit an accused to bail at any time after the committal and before the first day of the Criminal Sessions at which he is on trial.

In this case the Crown has, until yesterday, strenuously opposed the admission of the accused to bail, and I see that at one hearing Crown Counsel appeared before the Court to argue on this submission.

I have avoided reading newspaper reports relating to other proceedings concerning some of the facts—placed before this Court—in this case, but Mr Wright tells me that at those proceedings the facts were examined in more detail than in these proceedings, and further that not only have new facts come to light but the position is exactly the same now as it was at the termination of those other proceedings. Then again the Crown opposed bail.

In committal proceedings the Magistrate is not called upon to weigh the evidence; should the Attorney General prefer an indictment that is a matter for a judge and jury.

BAIL REFUSED
In the circumstances of this case I am satisfied that although I have jurisdiction to admit the accused to bail, I should not do so. An application before a judge would be more appropriate. Bail is refused.

The Magistrate then directed that Hockridge be committed to prison pending trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Det-Insp. F. Roberts, Divisional Detective Inspector of Central Division, appeared for the prosecution.

Hockridge is charged with the possession of a .45 Remington Rand automatic pistol and a 6.35 mm Deutsche Werke automatic gun and 27 rounds of ammunition without a licence.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION
That it is eight miles from Green Lion to the Black Bull and, therefore, 10 miles from the Black Bull to the Feather. So Sam's "triangle" is 24 miles long. 90 miles; he covers three miles to Sam's two. So when Sam reaches the feather he has covered 44 miles. Ben has covered 21 miles and is 13 miles distant from the feather. Hence they pass at another 2.4 miles from the feather and 7.6 miles from the Green Lion.

London Express Service.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS
1. They both fall at the same rate of speed. 2. A wig covering only a portion of the head. 3. A plane geometrical figure having seven sides and seven angles. 4. Cerberus. 5. A fee for professional services. 6. A famous art museum in Paris, France.

Why British Film Was Withdrawn

Theatre Manager Explains

So few people were attracted to the first performances of the British film "Passport to Pimlico" that the King's Theatre was forced to withdraw the picture after one day, said Mr George Sun, manager of the theatre this morning.

Mr Sun's attention was drawn to letters appearing in today's South China Morning Post criticising withdrawal of the film after four performances on Tuesday.

He said that in consequence of these protests the King's Theatre would stage a one-day return of "Passport to Pimlico."

Mr Sun explained that the British type of humour as expressed through a film such as "Passport to Pimlico" just did not appeal to the Chinese who were the cinema's principal patrons in Hongkong.

He added that even Europeans made a lamentably poor showing on Tuesday, the opening night, and it was because of the poor attendance that the theatre reluctantly withdrew the picture which was originally scheduled for two days.

"Passport to Pimlico," said Mr Sun gave way to another English picture, with a rather different type of appeal—the Gainsborough production "Marry Me."

FATAL COLLISION

Belgrade, May 2.
Six people died and many were injured when the Belgrade Serajevo express crashed into a goods train today.

The collision took place between Vinkovci and Vlachovci.—Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"First it was Tom, then George, now Roy! How's a girl going to compete with the draft board?"

Mail Notices

Registered articles and parcel mails close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail. When mails close on Sundays or before 10 a.m. on any other day, registered articles and parcel mails close at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Mail P.O.s are closed at Kowloon Post Office one hour earlier than the G.P.O. closing times.

THURSDAY, MAY 3
By Air
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, 5 p.m.
via C.P.A.
By Surface
Macao, 8 a.m.; 4.30 p.m., ss Hu Men/Lee Hong.

FRIDAY, MAY 4
By Air
Canada, U.S.A., 8.30 a.m., via C.P.A.
Formosa, 10 a.m., C.A.T.
Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, Great Britain, 10 a.m.
By Surface
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Europe, 5 p.m.
B.O.A.C.
Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, 5 p.m.
B.O.A.C.
B.N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m., Q.E.A.
Formosa, 5 p.m., H.K. Airways.
Macao, 8 a.m.; 4.30 p.m., ss Hu Men/Lee Hong.
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m., train via Canton.
Japan, 5 p.m., ss Formosa.
Malaya, Ceylon, Madagascar, Middle East, France, Europe, 2 p.m., ss Persu.
Indo-China, 5 p.m., ss Commandant Doris.
B.N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m., via Nankin.

SUNDAY, MAY 6
By Air
Philippines, D.N. Borneo, 5 p.m., via C.P.A.
Formosa, 5 p.m., H.K. Airways.
Indo-China, French North & West Africa, Europe, 5 p.m., Air France.
Macao, 1 p.m., Kwong Tung.
Philippines, Japan, Noon, ss La Marseillaise.

MONDAY, MAY 7
By Air
Formosa, 3 p.m., via C.A.T.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Europe, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Japan, Korea, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Formosa, 5 p.m., L.U.A.C.
Canada, 5 p.m., N.W. Airlines.
Siam, Malaya, 5 p.m., C.P.A.

Radio Hongkong

8.00, Programme Summary; 8.02, A Light Concert; 8.30, "The Festival of Britain" (Continued Summary) at St. Paul's Cathedral; 9.15, Their Majesties The King and Queen (London Relay); 9.15, Local Studio Concert—Vera (Soprano) with Piano Accompaniment; Betty Brown; 9.30, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 9.45, Sports Review by Bill Phillips (Studio); 9.50, "From The Editorials" (Recorded Relay); 10.00, Weather Report; 10.15, "Thursday Serenade"—A Programme of Continuous Music arranged by Jack Sheppard; 10.30, The Progress of Poetry—To Mark The Opening of The Festival of Britain; 10.45, Radio News Real (London Relay); 11.00, Goodnight Studio; 11.15, Weather Report; God Save The King; 11.30, Close Down.

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